ESTABLISHED 1887

By Marc Fisher

Weshington Past Service
COPENHAGEN — Danish voters, persuaded that their country would face painful isolation if they continued resisting European unifi-

cation, saved the troubled unity treaty Tuesday

In their second referendum in a year, 57 percent of Danes voted to reverse last June's

shocking "no" decision and accept the Maas-

tricht treaty moving the 12 European Commu-nity nations toward creating a United States of

But the turnaround did little to erase doubts surrounding the decades-old dream of Europe-an unification.

Since Denmark's "Mouse That Roared" re-jection last year threw the European Communi-ty into economic and political crises, wide-

spread recession and the Community's failure

to find an effective policy on the war in the Balkans have derailed plans to unite Europe by

1999 into a federation with a single currency.

central bank, and commoo defense and foreign

considerably watered down from the one they

To salve local worries about losing political independence to European Community head-

quarters in Brussels, Denmark will be allowed to keep its own currency and opt out of a joint defense policy, combined police and European

citizenship.

Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen hailed the vote as "historic" and said that European politicians had learned they must more democratic,

"make Europe more open, more democratic, closer to ordinary people." Standing on a table, he led supporters in a tearful rendition of his Social Democratic Party

"We doo't know what bes ahead for Europe, but we're on board, we're a part of it," said an exultant Laue Traberg Smidt, chairman of the

pro-Maastricht European Movement.
Other European leaders said they hoped the

vote would ease the battle of Prime Minister

John Major to have the treaty approved by the

The president of the EC Commission, Jac-

ques Delors, called the Danish result "a stimu-

lus to the Community to leave behind a period

Denmark's 1992 vote opened a Pandora's

box, revealing the paucity of popular support for European unity and the depth of pride in

national currencies and institutions in most EC

Opinion polls in Germany, whose public has for decades been considered the cootinent's

most pro-European, oow indicate that if the

Maastricht treaty were put to a vote, it would be

rejected. Surveys show weakening support in Spain, Portugal and Greece.

the wagons by Western Europe after the fall of the Berlin Wall," said a Danish government

official, speaking on condition of anooymity.
The idea was, we occded something to keep

Germany tied to the West, Now, of course, the idea of Germany throwing in with Yeltsin is comical. The more sophisticated Danes suspect

nothing will ever come of this anyway, and they're probably right."

Following last year's razor-thin vote against the treaty — 50.7 percent of Danes voted "no" that time — the Copenhagen government waged a considerably more active campaign

The pro-treaty camp, which included virtual-

ly all of the country's policical and media estab-lishment, went high and low to win votes, pushing the benefits of European unity for a

country heavily dependent oo exports. They then followed up with frightening scenarios of Denmark after a "no" vote, predicting soaring

joblessness, diplomatic isolation and severed

Mr. Rasmussen portrayed anti-unification forces as unrealistic extremists, calling them

"raving mad" in a last-minute appeal to his

countrymen. He warned that Danes would "never be forgiven" if they rejected the treaty.

The and-treaty campaign, an uncoordinated amalgam of leftist and rightist political ama-

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this year.

economic ties.

"Maastricht originally was just a circling of

The treaty the Danes approved Tuesday is

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So, It's Back to Business

Vote Frees EC to Tackle Other Issues

By Tom Buerkle

onal Herald Tribune BRUSSELS - Denmark's "yes" will not immediately resolve the deep internal divi-sions over the foture of the European Com-munity, but it averted a sure political crisis and should help lift the siege mentality that has stifled EC initiatives for the past year, officials said Tuesday.

With the Treaty on European Union back on track toward ratification by all EC states, the Community should be able to get to work fighting Europe's deepening recession and rising unemployment, strengthening cooperation over the war in the former Yugoslavia, negotiating membership agreements with Sweden, Norway, Finland and Austria and reaching out to the aspiring nations of

Eastern Europe, officials said.

Jacques Delors, president of the EC Commission, said the executive body "rejoiced" at a result that would help the Community
"pull out of a period of waiting and moros-

Henning Christophersen of Denmark, the EC commissioner for economic and mone-tary affairs, called the result a "great relief"

both for EC states and the Northern and Eastern European countries seeking mem-

Commission officials also expressed confidence that the Danish vote would give a strong push to the ratification process in Britain, now the only member country yet to

endorse the treaty.

But they acknowledged that the time lost

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since Denmark's initial rejection on June 2 had cost the Community dearly by stalling new policies, fueling the currency crises that have exacerbated the recession and curbing the hopes of Europe's more ambitious unity

"The past year has not been wasted," said Sir Leon Brittan, the commissioner for external economie affairs, "If it has taught us not to go too far ahead of what people are

repared to accept."

Last year's "oo" vote had a strong nega-

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New Trouble For Bank Chief In Allegations Of Plagiarism

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service

PARIS - Jacques Attali, the flamboyant French technocrat who faced intense criticism last month for his lavish spending as president of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Occelepment, has been accused of plagiarizing more than 40 substantial passages in his new

Texts that were to be be published Wednes-day in the French weekly Le Nouvel Observateur, and statements made in telephone interviews oo Tuesday by Mr. Attali, suggest that several passages, dated between 1982 and 1986, which President François Mitterrand appears to be talking to the author, were in fact lifted from conversations between the Mr. Mit-terrand and the author Elie Wiesel. These only began in late 1987.

"I confirm that these passages io Mr. Attali's book, published as though they occurred be-tween 1982 and 1986, are exactly those spoken to me by President Mitterrand in 1988," Mr. Wiesel said Tuesday in a telephooe interview.

These things were said to me, as part of a book project I bave with President Mitterrand, and oot to Mr. Attali. I feel very sad because I considered Mr. Attali a friend.

The revelations could have a devastating effect on Mr. Attali, who was pushed close to resignation last mooth when it was disclosed that the bank, established two years ago to aid Fastern Europe, had spent twice as much on self as it had disbursed in loans.

Mr. Attali's 958-page book, published to at fanfare by the Paris publisher Fayard last ath, purports to contain his first-hand imsions of life at the Elysée Palace between and 1986. During this period, Mr. Attali special adviser to the president, occupying like next door to Mr. Mitterrand's.

e manuscript of the talks between Mr. mand and Mr. Wiesei is awaiting publicay the Paris publisher Odile Jacob.

as Mrs. Jacob who first noted that 43 s in "Verbatim" were identical to parts Vitterrand-Wiesel manuscript. She in-vir. Wiesel and Le Nouvel Observateur, d published an extract from the book

tatement issued Tuesday, the Odile hishing bouse said: "The borrowing issages gravely prejudices a work of grance that Mrs. Jacob has been since 1988, and causes, through tion by another house, severe dam ch she reserves the right to seek fore any competent jurisdiction." le, in an entry dated Feb. 10, 1982. s book, Mr. Mitterrand is quoted at "Israel must be intransigent to be on that land, to be in that t it should be more flexible and love of the homeland does not f into an instinct of domina-

> it was made in a conversation ATTALL, Page 2

In Japan, a Mature Economy Must Reinvent Itself

By Steven Brull

Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen, after casting his ballot Tuesday in the Danish referendum on the Maastricht treaty.

TOKYO - Youji Nagase, an assistant purser for Japan Air Lines, prefers to do his work at 35,000 feet. But on a Sunday after-noon this month, be donned his formal black uniform to join a group of JAL employees near a busy train station selling swimsuits and flights to Okinawa to passers-by.

This is shameful, and I hate it," be volunteered. "But I can't say no."

Mr. Nagase can't say oo because business is bad and getting worse. His employer, Japan's biggest international airline, is losing more than \$1 million a day, reeling from a lethal combination of a surging yen, a slump in consumer spending and growing international

But Japan Air Lines is not alone in confronting these problems. All across Japan to-day, managers are being forced to restructure operations, doing things they would have never considered just a few years ago:

Cutting payrolls and capital spending

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and bailing out of unprofitable businesses. Stepping up efforts to sell goods at home rather than boost exports.

 Slashing prices to satisfy bargain-hunting Hunting for higher profits at the expense

building market share. Rethinking longstanding relationships with local suppliers and buying more compo-

nents abroad Streamlining product lines. Some experts say these changes are simply the inevitable consequences of a strengthen-ing yen and the painful end of the 1980s

But another, much broader theory is emerging: Japan is in the beginning of a full-scale restructuring, prompted most basically by slowing growth rates, technological change and intense competition. The result is a move away from the ingrown business practices that have characterized its economy since World War II, to a more open system more like that

"The Japanese economy is finally coming under international influence," said Sciichiro Saito, professor of economics at Rikkyo University in Tekyo. "Our traditional practices had a logic that was valid while Japan was in the process of catching up. But they will inhibit rather than promote growth from now

The changes are by no means bad for the lapanese. In time, they should result in a greater emphasis on domestic consumption over investment, perhaps making Japan a more comfortable place to live. The changes could further open the Japanese economy to foreign companies, offering its people greater selection at lower prices. And Japanese companies that survive the shakeoot would emerge as more efficient competitors both at home and abroad.

A slowing Japanese economy in recent years and the resulting sharp decline in corporate profits have prompted some of the changes in business practices. Company profits are estimated to have fallen an average of 28.4 percent in the Escal year that ended in March, their third consecutive annual decline. The surge in the yea, which has jumped more

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De Benedetti on Bribes: Would Do It Again, if Needed

By Laura Colby International Heroid Tribine

Carlo De Benedetti, the Olivetti chairman, said in an interview Tuesday that be personally authorized the payment of bribes to Italian political parties in the 1980s and added that be would do the same again in similar circumstances to protect his

company's interests. In a telephone interview two days after making a startling confession of the computer maker's role in the Italian kickback scandal known as Tangentopoli, or Bribesville, Mr. De Benedetti said be had been a victim of a corrupt political system whose credo was "oo more money, oo more work."

"Name me a single big Italian company, or international one, that has not done the same," he said. Mr. De Benedeto is the best-known Italian executive to

become involved in the scandal, which has embroiled hundreds of political officials, including two former prime ministers, and business executives ranging from the chairmen of the state companies ENI and IRI to the No.3 and No. 4 executives at

Fiat SpA, the country's biggest private sector company.

The investigations have revealed an entreuched system of kickback payments to governing poliocal parties in return for government work. That the corrupt can oow expect to face trial rather than fat Swiss bank accounts amounts to, for Italy, no less than a revolution.

Unlike other senior executives who acknowledged that their companies had paid bribes but tried to distance themselves from the practice, Mr. De Benedetti said Tuesday that he took "full responsibility" for Oliveto's deeds, which be said were forced upon the company by politicians' extortionary tactics.

He emphasized, bowever, that he had never personally paid a bribe or joined oegotiations over one.

Mr. De Benedetti said his company had paid a total of about 10 billion lire (\$6.8 million) to political parties to ensure contracts from the post office, adding, "I authorized those

He declined to put a number on the total amount of bribes paid by Olivetti in the 15 years since he took it over, but said that "they were a very few cases, a very limited amount, and much less important than those which we refused." "It was not a habit."

Mr. De Benedetti has not been charged with any wrongdo-ing, nor has he received an arriso di garanzia, an official See ITALY, Page 2

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Israeli Forces Kill 5 in Gaza Strip

JABALYA. Israeli-Occupied Gaza Strip (Reuters) — Israeli forces shot and killed four Palestinians in the Gaza Strip on Tuesday and a fifth Arab died of wounds, Palestinian witnesses and hospitals

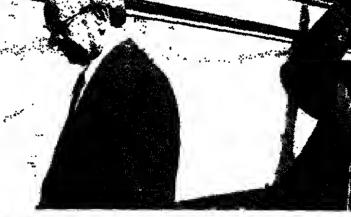
Troops shot and killed at least three Palestinians and wounded at least 35 io a single incident in the town of Jabalya in Gaza, witnesses said. The army confirmed that there was a clash in Jabalya but would not provide any details. The incident began when about 3,000 supporters of the banned Islamic resistance movement Hamas gathered for a memorial service for one of six Hamas: by Israeli forces May 10 near the border with Egypt. thered for a memorial service for one of six Hamas militants killed

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Gennadi Yanayev, a former Soviet vice president, flashing a victory sign as he and a former KGB chief, Vladimir Kryuchkov, left a Moscow court Tuesday after their trial in a 1991 coup plot was suspended. Page 4.

New Study Puts China Economy At 3d Biggest

By Steven Greenhouse

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — China's economy is more than four times larger than previously thought and is the world's third largest, behind only the United States and Japan, the International Monetary Fund says in a study to be released next week.

Conceding that previous studies uoderstated the results of China's phenomenal growth, the IMF used a different measuring system and found that China's economy produced almost \$2 trillion worth in goods and services last year, far greater than previous estimates of less than \$500 billion. This means that China's economy is only slightly smaller than Japan's, though it is still less than two-fifths the size of the United

If their prodigious growth continues, the World Bank estimated the combined economies of China, Hong Kong and Taiwan will be larger than the American economy in less than

"The main importance of this is geopolitical," said Paul Krugman, an economist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. "It's a reminder that China is a great power already, which is something many people haven't quite

Some economists said the new estimates will force government and economists alike to stop thinking that Asia's economy is dominated by Japan alone and start viewing Asia as a conti-

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l Chaos in Cambodia, Raiders Carry Off Temple Treasures

Mary Kay Magistad

ENG. Cambodia — The imposing stone : entrance to a 9th-century temple here

ice left half of the ornately carved head and the other half fallen onto bumid aring skyward.

did this probably didn't realize how or they would have taken it," said Janos and in said disgust.

arian diplomat with the UN peacekeep-Reap Province, for years has written imbodia's renowned 12th-century Ang-He says he is "shocked and heartbro-

The thefts feed a hungry international black market for art objects. Many of the priceless statues, Buddha heads and carvings are being spirited across the Thai border, said Richard Engelhardt, director in Cambodia for the UN Economic, Scientific and Cultural Organization.

"It's not an exaggeration to say that at least one piece a day crosses from Cambodia into Thailand," he said. "It's a

very, very serious problem." Many such treasures turn up in exclusive antique shops in Bangkok and Singapore. But the most valuable pieces are often stolen on consignment, Mr. Engelhardt says, and sold

"I've heen at a temple site, where I've overheard Thai

ken" by a recent sharp increase in highly organized thefts dealers discussing which pieces they're supposed to find and take back for clients," Mr. Engelhardt said.

The thefts feed a hungry international black market for Other observers have seen That and Cambodian soldiers

at the sites, taking pictures and cataloging the best of what is

Although Thailand fiercely protects its own cultural properry, it has refused to sign Unesco's 1970 convention for preventing trafficking in antiquities. As a result, Bangkok antique dealers do a booming trade in relics stolen from neighboring Burma and Cambodia.

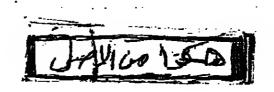
Even after conturies of pillage and plunder, the bundreds of 9th- to 13th-century temples in Cambodia's troubled Siem Reap Province still hold enough treasures to lure gangs of thieves, armed with machine guns, grenade launchers and equipment to lift and carry away the heavy stone artifacts. The complexity of such an operation makes Mr. Engel-

hardt and others suspect that the thieves are getting inside

"At Angkor Thom, thieves have to go in and out a guarded gate," said Mr. Engelhardt, referring to a temple site near Angkor Wat. "Either they're paying off the guards, or warning them in advance not to move from their posts. It's a really insecure area anyway, so people tend to heed

About half of Siem Reap Province is controlled by Khmer Rouge guerrillas, who have stepped up attacks on UN targets in Cambodia in recent months and are widely believed to have conducted a May 3 attack on the town of Siem

UN officials said that about 2,000 refugees now are See LOOT, Page 5





Son Sann, left, a former prime minister and a candidate of the Buddhist Liberal Democratic Party in Cambodia's elections, exchanging greetings with a supporter Tuesday in Plmom Penh.

UN Expects Cambodia Poll Attacks

By Philip Shenon
New York Times Service

PHNOM PENH - The head of the UN peacekeeping operation in Cambodia said Tuesday that this weekend's elections will not be canceled even though the United Nations now expects the voting to be marred by terrorism, including possible at-tacks by Khmer Rouge guerrillas on UN-supervised polling stations.

In a blunt prediction of violence, the chief peacekeeper, Yasushi Akashi, said that the Maoist rebels were almost certain to begin attacks when the five-day voting period begins Sunday and that "we do oot exclude the possibility of bombardment, rocket attacks, even on some cities - not so

much to do damage as to create a panic." "We are not in an neutral political environment," he said in acknowledging the failure so far of the 22,000-member UN operation to restore peace to a nation that has known only civil war or terror for 8 generation. "What we are trying to achieve now is the minimum acceptable condition for free and fair elections in Cambodia."

Those words mark an important concession for Mr. Akashi, a veteran Japanese diplomat. The 1991 peace agreement that established the peace-keeping operation, the largest in the history of United Nations, stated explicitly that the elections would be held in a "neutral political environment."

His detailed public prediction of election violence could be in part an effort to blunt later criticism of the United Nations for having put thousands of peacekeepers into situations of grave

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Norway Will Resume Whaling Oslo Cites Its 'Rights to Available Resources'

OSLO --- In defiance of an international ban, Norway announced Tuesday that it would resume com-

mercial whaling this year. The unilateral action was taken after the International Whaling Commission declined a request by Norway and Japan to soften the moratorium on commercial whaling that began to take effect in

The Norwegians left last week's meeting angry at the rebuff, a feeling that was evident in Tuesday's

"Whaling is about more than whales themselves," Foreign Min-ister Johan Jorgen Holst told the perliament. "It is about the rights of a coastal nation to make use of available resources.

Mr. Jorgen said the commercial hunt would begin as soon as the government established the quota for individual whaling ships.

The government on Tuesday set an overall quota of 296 minke whales. This includes 136 minke whales already allotted to the country's annual research hunt, which began in mid-April to check on whale diet and reaction to pollut-

The meat from the research and the commercial hunts is for human consumption, probably in Norway, although in the past Norway sold whale meat from bigger hunts to Japan and elsewhere

Although Norway had observed the ban, it never accepted it and therefore says it is not bound by its

it envisages. In addition, it says, there are hundreds of thousands more minke whales in the Antarotic. Minke whales grow up to a length of about 10 meters.
Norwegian scientists had said

BONN - Neo-Nazi attacks

against foreigners could flare again

at any time despite government at-

tempts to crack down on extremist

gangs, the head of Germany's do-mestic security service said Tues-

Eckart Werthebach, head of the

security agency, noted that racist outbursts in Eastern Germany dur-

ing the past two summers had

a quota of 800 minke whales, in-cluding those for research.

Anti-whaling groups have threatened boycotts of the 1994 Winter Olympies, the United States has threatened sanctions, and a leader of a Los Angeles group called Sea Shepherd has taken responsibility for sabotaging and nearly sinking a whaling boat in

"The Norwegian government takes the threat of violence very to political and economic pressure seriously," Mr. Holst said. "The instice minister has taken steps to

■ Tactics at the Commission

Andrew Pollack of The New York Times reported earlier from Tokyo: The International Whaling Commission has been struggling for years to make sure that the world's great whales do not become ex-tinct. But the commission, which held its annual meeting in Kyoto last week, now has to worry about its own survival as well.

Formed by a 1946 convention, the organization is being pulled apart by irreconcilable differences between whaling and anti-whaling nations. In addition, the commis-sion's original mission, to set quotas for whaling, is out of sync with the desires of the majority of its members, which now oppose whaling on ethical grounds.

To save whale populations that had been decimated by decades of sive bunting, the commission in 1982 approved a moratorium on Oslo claims that the estimated stock of 86,700 minke whales off its coasts in the North Atlantic is large enough to sustain the limited hunt sion's scientific committee agrees. that one species of whale, the minke, is abundant enough to allow limited harvesting.

The whaling nations, primarily Japan and Norway, have threat-ened to leave the commission, as

Neo-Nazi Threat Endures, Aide Says

sparked other attacks around the

"A similar event could trigger

another wave of violence tomor-

row," he said. "The current fall-off

in the number of acts of violence

does not imply a drop in the num-ber of right-wing extremists."

Two skinheads are on trial for

the firebomb murders of three

Turks in November in the northern

town of Mölln, an event which

prompted a government ban on

three neo-Nazi groups and weeks

that the northern stock could sustain a hunt of 2,000 to 4,000 animals and that whalers had expected have no right to tell them what to eat. They say science has been sup-planted by politics and that the anti-whaling nations are religious the commission's bylaws at "It's not the club you somed," said Bjorn Blokhus, a spokeman.

tactics. One tactic is to load the membership of the commission. Any nation can join the commission, even if it has never had any connection with

Four tiny Caribbean nations — Dominica, Grenada, Saint Lucia and Saint Vincent and the Grena-dines — voted with Japan as a bloc this year and added punch to Japan's arguments. That helped give Japan and Norway enough votes to force the postponement of a French resolution to create a whale sanctuary in the oceans around Antarctica.

In the early 1980s, Saint Vincent and Saint Lucia woted against whaling but have switched their po-sitions. Dominica rejoined the commission last year and Grenada joined this year.

Conservationists say that nations have been recruited to Je-

pan's side in exchange for economic assistance. 'The quickest way to get guaranteed aid from Japan is to say, 'Tm interested in the whaling issue,' " said Kate O'Connell, international conservation director of the Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society, a British organization.

Japan does not deny recruiting these countries nor giving aid, as it does to many countries. But it says there is no connection between the two. Representatives of these countries also dismissed charges that their votes were bought.

en foreigners, were killed in ex-tremist violence in Germany last

year, and more than 2,200 were

The shock of the Mölln murders

pushed the government into tight-ening Germany's liberal asylum

policy, which was causing resent-

ment among people suffering from unemployment and other effects of

Mr. Werthebach said the num-

ber of racist attacks had fallen to 73

tember, but this was no reason for

economic recession.

WORLD BRIEFS

Guatemala Is Assailed Over Rights

LONDON (Reuters) — Killings, summary executions and torture are common in Guatemaia despite promises by the civilian government to end decades of human rights abuses, Amnesty International said

Wednesday.

"The government may have changed, but the violations are going on, as they did in the past," the London-based human rights organization said in a report. "The president who promised to protect human rights has singularly failed to do so." President Jorge Servano Elias, elected in 1990, is only Guatemala's second civilian president since 1954.

"Harasament, intimidation and death threats are on the increase, violatous from the past are still walking free and the repressive structures "with still in place." Amnesty International said, adding that death souads Wednesday.

for Norway's delegation. "You violaters from the past are still walking free and the repressive structures joined to play cricket and its not are still in place," Amnesty International said, adding that death squads cricket anymore, it's chess."

With no way to resolve differences, the two sides have resorted Students and Police Clash in Seoul

SEOUL (AP)—Riot police armed with truncheons and shields battled thousands of students Tuesday to block them from marching to the homes of two former presidents to demand a new investigation of a bloody military crackdown. There were numerous injuries, but the number was not immediately available.

About 4,000 students protested to mark the anniversary of the 1980 military in authors.

crackdown in southern Kwangju city and to demand that former Presidents Chun Doo Hwan and Roh Tae Woo be punished. The students contended that the two presidents ordered soldiers to shoot civilians in Kwangju, 260 kilometers (160 miles) south of Seoul. About 200 people were killed and hundreds were wounded.

As riot police moved in to block the march, students kicked and punched the police, and policemen punmeled students with clubs and shields. An estimated II,000 rice were deployed in Seoul around the homes of the two former presidents, government buildings, and U.S. installations including the American Febboses. installations, including the American Embassy.

Ankara Said to Jail British Reporter

ANKARA (AFP) — A British freelance journalist, Andrew Norman Penny, has been imprisoned by a Turkish court and charged with "propaganda and collaboration" with the separatist Kurdistan Workers Party, a reliable source said Tuesday.

Mr. Penny, a former BBC reporter in his 40s, was arrested Saturday on the Turkey-Iraq border with material on Iraqi Kurdistan and brought before the court in the southeastern town of Silopi, the source added. The material included audio and video cassettes of interviews with Kurdish leaders in northern Iraq. A German journalist, Stefan Waldberg, was imprisoned in January for three years and nine months on identical

Wolf Letter Cited 400 Moles in West

DUSSELDORF, Germany (Reuters) — Markus Wolf, the former East German spymaster, asserted that he had run a network of 350 to 400 moles inside West Germany in the 1980s, a court trying him for treason earned Tuesday.

However, the federal prosecution said it believed the true number of East German spies who operated over the border may have been 900 or more, if those working for other departments of the Ministry for State Security were included.

Mr. Wolf, who is charged with treason and bribery in connection with three decades of directing espionage against West Germany, cited the figures in a 1990 letter to the East German interior minister, Peter-Michael Distel. The letter was read out in court. It said that none of Mr. Wolf's agents working under long-standing cover had ranked as high as minister or state secretary or their military equivalents in West Germany.

Correction

A Page One dispatch in Tuesday's editions about a Danish poll on the Maastricht treaty was credited to the wrong news agency. The dispatch was sent by Agence France-Presse,

TRAVEL UPDATE

in April, compared with 535 in Sep-Mitterrand Chides U.K. on Rail Link

LILLE, France (Reuters) — President François Mitterrand of France made fun of Britain on Tuesday for not building a high-speed rail link to the Channel Tunnel.

Speaking at a ceremony to inaugurate France's high-speed rail service from Paris to the northern city of Lille, Mr. Mitterrand said travelers from France to England were in for a surprise when the French train linked up with the tunnel after it opened next year

"They will race at great pace across the plains of corthern France," be said, "race through the tunnel on a fast track, and then be able to daydream at very low speed, admiring the landscape and the countryside until the day when someone over there in London decides to harmoniz has yet to approve a fast-track rail route to the tunnel because of likely protests from people living in southeast England.

Workers for TAP-Air Portugal in Lisbon walked off their jobs Tuesday in the last of three half-day strikes. The walkouts forced cancellations or postponements of most domestic and international flights.

ITALY: An Admission on Bribes

ATTALI: Plagiarism Allegations

of anti-racist protests,

Seventeen people, including sevBonn to Iower its guard.

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with Mr. Wiesel in January 1988, but Mr. Attali's book omits this deed seen the book before publica-fact. Le Nouvel Observateur, in the but Mr. Attali's book omits this article that was to appear Wednes-day, cites another passage on faith that is transposed from 1988 to

Most of the 43 apparently lifted passages are at least 20 lines long, and only in four cases does Mr. Attali state that they are taken from the Mitterrand-Wiesel con-

In three telephone interviews on Tuesday, Mr. Attali denied that he had plagiarized the texts.
"I absolutely and totally and

fully reject these accusations," he But Mr. Attali conceded that he had used passages from the Wiesel interviews without attribution, and

transposed them in time. "I spoke to Mr. Wiesel six months ago and told him I was going to use some extracts in my memoirs," Mr. Attali said. "He said he was going to do the same in his memoirs and he raised no objec-

Mr. Wiesel, a Nobel-prize winning author, denied this, saying that he had neither tacitly nor explicitly anthorized Mr. Attali to use passages from his planned book with Mr. Mitterrand.

Mr. Attali defended his action by saying that he was present at most of the seven interviews between Mr. Weisel and Mr. Mitterrand, and so heard what was said. Moreover, he said he had shown his manuscript to Mr. Mitterrand be-fore publication, and the president had raised no objection.

An official at the Elysée Palace, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the president had innot wish convey the impression that the work in any way reflected

his views Mr. Attali also contended that he had been justified in his action because on the days on which he inserted the extracts from the Wiesel interview, President Mitterrand had said similar things to him. "I had similar conversations with

the president, but the Wiesel text was clearer, so I put that in," he Mr. Attali summed up his defense by saying, "I quote President Mitterrand with his own authoriza-

tion, knowing that the other person present for the conversation, Mr. Viesel, will also do so in his mem-

It is not the first time that Mr. Attali, the author of 16 previous books and a man widely regarded as unusually brilliant but volnera-ble to his considerable hubris, has

been accused of plagiarism.

A book published in 1982 on the theme of time, fitled "Histoires du Temps" ("Stories of Time"), was questioned because early editions contained text from a work by Ernst Muger, the German essayist and novelist. No attribution was

In later editions, the publisher, Fayard, added a footnote and quo-tadon marks around the material from Mr. Jünger. Asked about this on Tuesday, Mr. Attali said it was an old issue on which he did not wish to comment.

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"I was told by the judges that
they wouldn't ask me anything further, but they will call some of our managers and then they will decide

what to do," Mr. De Benedetti said. His voluntary statement to the Milan magistrates provides the most detailed account so far of how Italy's corrupt political system worked. A copy of it was made available to the International Herald Tribune.

In it, Mr. De Benedetti said that his initial refusal to pay bribes to individual companies led to Olivetti being almost completely cut out of contracts by the post office. with the company's sales in 1987
dropping to less than 2.1 billion
lire. In 1988, however, when bribes
of 1.25 billion lire were paid, sales
to the post office rocketed 100-fold
to 204.3 billion lire.

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Mr. De Benedetti, whose company does most of its business outside Italy and relied on state jobs for only about 5 percent of its sales, said he nonetheless had no choice but to succumb to pressure to pay. "Olivetti couldn't present itself to the Swiss railways or the Dutch post office, to give two examples, without having an Italian reference," or track record, he said.

Although he said the situation in Italy was now changing, under the same set of circumstances, he said, Tuesday capture "I would do the same thing again' to protect Olivetti's interests. Mr. De Benedetti said that he head of its are

felt he had been discriminated over the organ against by the government because of his strong public positions in the 1980s, when he railed against Rome's inefficiency and its meddiscomeness in business. ilesomeness in business.

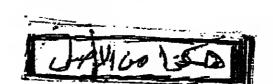
At first, his statement to the nagistrates said, Olivetti resisted paying bribes for specific contracts, making only generalized donations to party treasuries, mostly the Christian Democrats and the So-

After 1983, the statement says, the pressures became "systematic, total, incluctable on anything they could control, without exception." It was in 1983 that Bettino Craxi, the former head of the Socialist

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Pentagon Cuts Estimate of Bush Budget Error

WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration has conceded that the Bush administration did not massively understate the cost of continuing U.S. military programs over the next three years, as some Democratic critics have contended.

After a 90-day investigation by an independent panel, the Defense Department reported that any "error" most likely will total \$12 billion to \$15 billion for the three years, rather than \$50 billion to \$75 billion, as some critics had asserted.

As a result, Clinton administration officials said they would not have to cut major military programs further in order to make up the difference. The shortfall is "not as bad as some of the projections," a Pentagon budget specialist acknowledged.

The report laid to rest what had threatened to become a major issue in this year's debate over the military budget. Several influential lawmakers, including Senator Sam Nunn, Democrat of Georgia, the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, had warned that the disparity could derail the entire military budget. (LAT)

Bill Aims to Broaden Tobacco-Sale Regulation

WASHINGTON - A bill introduced in the House of Representatives would expand U.S. government regulation of cigarette sales and move the tobacco industry under the regulatory ambit of the Food and Drug Administration.

Representatives Mike Synar, Democrat of Oklahoma, and Richard J. Durbin, Democrat of Illinois, introduced the bill, called The Fairness in Tobacco and Nicotine Regulation Act of 1993. It would give the Food and Drug Administration full responsibility for regulating the manufacture, sale, labeling and advertising of tobacco products. These processes are now overseen by various agencies, including the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Health and Human Services.

"As we move closer and closer toward reforming our country's health-care system, it is clear the public is demanding a bold, innovative departure from business as usual," Mr. Synar said.

The bill also would ban the sale of cigarettes to people under 18, as the law of every state but Montana already requires, and would made it mandatory for the chemical additives in tobacco to be listed on packaging. Costs of the regulation would be borne by the

Mr. Synar cited estimates that the nation spent \$65 billion a year on smoking-related conditions, from disease to decreased productivity. Approval of the bill, he said, would "bring this nation's leading cause of death and disability in line with the way other legal products

White House Backs Bush on Computer Files

WASHINGTON - The Clinton Justice Department marched into federal court and defended as proper an agreement giving former President George Bush exclusive legal control of the comput-

erized records of his presidency.

The White House communications director, George Stephanopoulos, said in an interview that the decision to support the agreement was based on a determination that, like Mr. Bush's White House, the Clinton White House does not want a succeeding, potentially unfriendly administration pawing over its computer

A Democratic Revolt Brews Over Spending

WASHINGTON —A group of disgruntled Democrats has threat-ened to try to derail President Bill Clinton's \$340 billion deficit-cutting bill unless they get a chance to seek more spending cuts.

Conservative and moderate Democrats said they would demand the right to offer additional spending cuts and a cap on benefit programs, known as entitlements, or threaten to block House consideration of the measure if their requests are denied.

Quote/Unquote

Mr. Clinton, in the the face of some hostile questioning from Californians about his economic program at a televised public forum: "I don't like taxes... I don't like this, but we've got to get a hald of this deficit fell but if no don't " bold of this deficit. It'll kill us if we don't."

A Black Is New Poet Laureate

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Rita Dove was named poet laureate of the United States on Tuesday, the first black writer to be appointed since the post was established in 1985. At 40, she is also the youngest laureate. Ms. Dove, winner of the 1987 Pulitzer Prize for poetry, is noted for the leanness of her verse. She often brings the black experience into her work, which relies heavily on autobiography and history. Her poem "Mississippi," for example, is "almost a meditation on the Mississippi River and what it has meant in American history," she said Tuesday

She recently was appointed Commonwealth Professor of English at the University of Virginia, which is close enough to Washington for her to contemplate spending at least a part of every week in the capital. Ms. Dove succeeds Mona Van Duyn in the \$35,000-a-year post. Other laureates have included Joseph Brodsky and Mark Strand. The apppointment, by the librarian of Congress, is for one year.

Away From Politics

 Michigan prosecutors will not decide whether to file charges against lack Kevorkian of Detroit until the police finish investigating the latest suicide witnessed by the retired physician. The results of the police investigation are expected later this week.

Doctors in Los Angeles used an artificial liver made with pig cells to cep a patient alive after her own failing liver was removed. The bicartificial liver" helped the California woman, 18, survive withat her own liver for 14 hours until she received a human liver.

John C. Sawyers, 37, who beat a woman to death with an iron llet, was executed by lethal injection in Texas's fifth execution of year. The victim was Ethyl Delaney, 67. He was the 59th person ruted in Texas since the state resumed executions in 1982. Texas conducted more executions than any other state since the eme Court restored the death penalty in 1976.

entists have developed a "glow-in-the-dark" TB test to show ser a patient is infected with a tuberculosis strain that can be d with common anti-TB drugs or is suffering from a drug-nt strain. Dr. William Jacobs of Howard Hughes Medical te in New York said in Atlanta that bacteria could be treated at tube so that those that are drug resistant glow.

election began in the manslaughter trial of Rodney Peairs, 30. iccused of killing a Japanese exchange student, Yoshihiro 16, of Nagoya. The student knocked on the wrong door sking for a Halloween party last autumn near Baton Rouge.

chquake measuring 6.0 on the Richter scale rolled across a of California and Nevada, but it was centered in a sparsely I area and there were no immediate reports of injuries or

acellor of the City University of New York and five other are responsible for depriving Leonard Jeffries of his right ch, a federal jury ruled. It must still decide whether he is damages. Witnesses testified that the six officials wanted removed as chairman of the black studies department 1 1991 speech criticized as anti-Semitic.



President Clinton watching a procession of Taos Indians pass by before making his speech in Los Alamos, New Mexico, on Tuesday.

President Is Frustrating Some Democrats

By Clifford Krauss New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Representative Dave McCurdy of Oklahoma, one of President Bill Clinton's earliest supporters and a leading con-servative Democrat, has accused the president of betraying the spirit of his electoral campaign and of governing like a traditional liberal.

Mr. McCurdy warned that a growing number nf Democratic members of the House had told him that they opposed Mr. Clinton's proposed tax increases, a movement that the congressman suggested could torpedo the administration's economic proposals.

Moderate and conservative Democrats, the congressman said, "are shaking their heads that the deficit at the end of the Clinton administration - after the largest tax increase in history - will be as large as during the Bush adminis

The soul mates are feeling left out," he said. Mr. McCurdy's disappointment with the administration has been expressed by 11ther law-makers, but not for publication. A member of the House speaker's leadership said last week that there were not yet enough votes to pass Mr. Clinton's tax increases and spending cuts.

By Spencer Rich

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — The United
States ranks sixth overall in quality

of life among the world's nations, with Japan placing first, according to the United Nations Human De-

velopment Report for 1993. Considered separately, U.S. whites rank No. I in the world. But

when black and Hispanic Ameri-

cans are added to the totals, the United States ranks behind Japan.

Canada, Norway, Switzerland and

The African-American popula-

Rather Will Share

Anchor Duties at

CBS With Chung

New York Times Service NEW YORK — In what net-work executives called an attempt

to "change the dynamic" of the all-male network evening newscasts, CBS will divide the anchor duties

on its evening news starting June 1, when Connie Chung will become the co-anchor of the broadcast with

Dan Rather. It is the first time CBS

has divided the anchor role of its

Ms. Chung will be only the sec-

ond woman ever to have one of the

main anchor jobs on network news.

Barbara Walters was a co-anchor

of ABC's network evening news-

cast for less than two years starting

Mr. Rather, who is 61 and has

been CBS's sole news anchor for 12

years, said Monday that he sup-

ported the move as n means of

increasing his opportunities to re-

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pates so little in the benefits of the

U.S. society and economy that it would rank 31st in the world if

considered separately, according to

a team of economists for the UN

program. The U.S. Hispanic population would place 35th, it said.

The system of rankings, called the Human Development Index,

ing power, education and health for

est real gross domestic product per capita in 1990 (\$21,449 after ad-

justments for exchange rates and purchasing power) and the highest

average years of schooling (12.3).

fect" score, the report ranked Ja-pan at 983. The U.S. rating was

On a scale in which 1.0 is a "per-

As a separate group, U.S. whites,

with an adjusted gross domestic product per capita of \$23,372 (compared with \$17,100 for blacks

and \$15,300 for those of Hispanic

origin), were rated at .986. The U.S. black rating of .881 is

about the same as Uruguay and Lithuania. Hispanic Americans'

rating of .869 ranks just below South Korea and Latvia, Both

groups, however, ranked ahead of Russia (.862), Chile, Belarus, the Ukraine, Argentina, Poland and

virtually all developing countries.

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Mr. McCurdy, along with Representative Timothy J. Penny of Minnesots and Charles W. Stenholm of Texas, are threatening to oppose the proposals unless party leaders let them offer amendments adding more than \$50 billion in budget cuts and capping the growth of programs such as Medicare and Social Security. Nevertheless, most congressional strategists

said that when push comes to shove, the Republicans will fall short of winning over the 40 or so Democrats they would need to defeat Mr. Clinton's economic program. The more serious challenge is expected in the Senate.

Even if Mr. McCordy's display of frustration is not a sign that the administration is heading

for a major defeat in the House, it is evidence that Mr. Clinton's original base of Democratic conservatives and moderates may be eroding. "Much of the president's appeal during the campaign was campaigning as a new Demo-crat," Mr. McCurdy said. The rhetoric has

been new, but the programs have been old." The congressman expressed particular disenchantment with the proposed energy tax, noting a University of Oklahoma study predicting it would cost his oil-producing state 11,000

Mr. McCurdy, like Mr. Clinton, has long been active in the Democratic Leadership Council, a group designed to move the party to the center. He endorsed Mr. Clinton's presidential candidacy long before the New Hampshire primary and served as an important adviser during the campaign.

The lawmaker said he had had several frank conversations with both the president and his wife, Hillary, in recent months, in which he criticized the administration for its tax program and its failure to consult with moderate Democratic lawmakers on social issues such as the proposal to let foreign AIDS patients enter the United States.

Mr. McCurdy has a history of criticizing senior members of his party, for which the House speaker, Thomas F. Foley, punished him late last year by refusing to reappoint him as chairman of the House Select Committee on

He initially earned the speaker's ire by denouncing Mr. Foley's performance during the House banking scandal. He then privately asked senior military officers to lobby for his appointment as secretary of defense.

Most of Clintons' Nest Egg Is in Low-Yield Investments

SAN DIEGO, California — President Bill Clinton and his wife, Hillary, have accumulated between \$534,000 and \$1.7 million in savings, stocks and bonds, according to a financial disclosure statement made public by the White House.

The statement covers 1992 and thus does not reflect any changes

in Mr. Clinton's financial situation since he assumed the presidency Most of the Clintons' money appears to be invested in money market funds, a low-yielding investment that could either reflect a cautious approach to the financial markets or a desire not to own

large blocks of stock in individual companies so as to avoid conflicts The couple owns some shares, however, including a significant block of shares of the department store chain Wal-Mart Stores Inc. valued at between \$100,000 and \$250,000.

All other individual stock holdings of the first family were valued at far less — in the range of \$1,000 to \$15,000, including shares in Nynex Corp., Bell Atlantic Corp. and BellSouth Corp.

Mrs. Clinton's stake in her Little Rock law firm, the Rose Law firm, was valued at between \$100,000 and \$250,000. She quit the firm when the Clintons moved to Washington. Her reported earnings for 1992 totaled about \$250,000.

The Clintons were required to report the value of their assets only in a wide range, making their net worth difficult to determine.

Death Toll in Waco Fire Is Revised Downward to 78

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FORT WORTH, Texas - A medical examiner has revised the death toll from the Branch Davidian fire once more, saying 75 peo-ple, including 22 children, died at crimination" in employment and the cult's compound near Waco.
wages, Sweden jumps to first place
in the world index, the United cultists died when the compound

States drops in ninth and Japan to was consumed by fire on April 19 17th. When income disparities be- after a 51-day standoff with federal tween economic classes are taken authorities. into account. Japan remains first But after completing their search but the United States slips to minth. earlier this month, investigators

At the bottom of the rankings are Gambia (\$913 real GDP per capita and an index of .086), Inlfound only 72 corpses, including those of 17 children.

"I'm thrilled," said Ms. Chung, lowed by Mali, Niger, Burkina when pathologists examined more 45, who has worked in network news for 22 years.

Capita and an index of .086), full The figures began changing when pathologists examined more elosely the badly burned remains. Several of the bodies were inter-

rate until they were further exam-ined. Many of the bodies were found in a bunker amid the cult's ammunition stockpile. Of the 78 people now believed to

have died, pathologists have found that 27 were shot. Dr. Wecht, a controversial Pittsburgh pathologist who has consult-ed on many famous deaths, also

said in a telephone interview that the bullet wound in the back of the head of a cult lieutenant. Steve Schneider "tells me he did not shoot himself." But Dr. Wecht would not specu-

late further oo how Mr. Koresh and Mr. Schneider might have died.

Assailing Critics, Clinton Asks Public To 'Stay With Us'

program and his presidency under fire in Washington, President Bill Clinton is lashing back at his crit-ics, urging the public during a trip across the United States to "stay with us and we can turn the country around.

gridlock. He argues that in the first few months of his presidency, he has made "a real beginning" on solving the country's problems hut that it will take time to complete

Responding to criticism that his program is too heavy with tax in-creases, Mr. Clinton said Tuesday that the higher levies were neces-sary because "the free lunch crowd" that had run the country for 12 years — by which be meant the Reagan and Bush administrations - had allowed the federal deficit to run out of contro

"No new taxes," a heckler yelled as Mr. Clinton spoke to students at a Los Angeles community college.
"We tried it your way for 12
years, and look what it got us," Mr.
Clinton retorted, winning applause

from his student audience Mr. Clinton visited Los Angeles the morning after a televised "town hall" session in San Diego that was dominated by questions about the comorny and other domestic issues, to the delight of Mr. Clinton and his advisers.

The president seemed very much back in a campaign mode nn this trip. At the start of his trip in Los Alamos, New Mexico, site of the birth of the atomic bomb, the White House staged a full-scale rally in a high school football stadium.

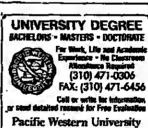
Mr. Clinton's presumed theme was his \$20 billion defense-conversion program that he had proposed in his budget speech early this year. It is intended to ease the United States' transition to a post-Cold War military budget.

Mr. Clinton paid tribute to the

role that Los Alamos National Laboratory played in ending World War II and the Cold War. But he said that while it still had some defense-related missions. projects with commercial applications would be equally important in providing economic security in

the next century.
His principal message, however, was in defend the new spending in his economic program, which he argued was every bit as important to the country's future as his efforts to reduce the budget deficit.

"We have to do both," he said and sharply invest in things like this economy for tomorrow.



By Dan Balz

Washington Past Service

LOS ANGELES — With his

In San Diego, Mr. Clinton had argued that the \$246 billion in new taxes he has proposed would fall mainly on wealthy Americans. He also said he had tried to cush-

ion the burden of his new energy tax on middle-income families. whom he defined as those earning \$40,000 to \$100,000 a year.

Returning to themes that had helped him win the election last dispel growing concern over the economy and a perception that Washington remains in political gridlock He arrival of the concern over the economy and a perception that was time for action in Washington. "We've got to put our house in gridlock He arrival over the concern over th "We've got to put our house in order, folks," he said. "If we don't do it, we'll be paying for it for a long time to come."
This is the second week in a row

that Mr. Clinton has taken to the road in sell his economic program, which has seen a steady decline in public support over the last two

Besides defending his revenue proposals and fighting opposition to his spending initiatives, the president was trying, as one aide put it, to show the public "what they're going to get for their taxes."



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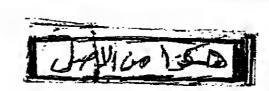
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AMERICAN TOPICS

Attainment Skewed **By Grade Inflation**

It was said in the depths of the Depression of the 1930s that the admissions policy of even the most clite colleges was, "If the body is warm and the check is good, he's in."

But since World War II the best institutions have had several applicants for every opening, enabling them to accept only the best students. This may help explain why more get "A's" and fewer get what was once described as "Gentleman C's." But some administrators worry that part of the explanation is grade inflation.

At Harvard, 43 percent of the grades awarded today are A's or A-minuses, compared with 22 percent about two decades ago.
Other elite schools report a similar pattern, as do high schools.

The grade-point average reported by high school pupils taking the Scholastic Aptitude Test between 1988 and 1992 iocreased from 3.07 to 3.12 (on a scale of 0 to 4), although math scores on the test itself rem level and verbal scores fell five

But as competition for admission to the best colleges intensifies, and opportunities for jobs diminish, high school teachers and university professors are increasingly beseeched to give good grades.

Short Takes

"Death" brand cigarettes, in black packages with white skull and crossbones, are making their way into U.S. retail outlets. "People have the right to smoke cigarettes," said Charles Southwood, head of Death Tobacco.



Shock-value marketing, or truth in advertising?

"but they should be alerted to what they're doing." He declined to give sales figures. Joe Cherner, sident of Smoke-free Educational Services, a New York anti-smoking group, said, "The name should have been Cancer or Chemotherapy. That's something people will associate with the pain smokers will suffer." And, he said, some youths "will smoke Death cigarettes and be proud of it. They wear jackets with the skull and crossbones and listen

ently suffocated by his pet py-thon, which weighs 200 pounds (90 kilograms) and is 16 feet (nearly 5 meters) long. William Bassett, 47, appeared to have struggled with the snake, stabbing it repeatedly with a knife, the police in Harahan, Louisiana, said. An investigator at the local animal shelter, where the snake was taken, said that one person by himself "should never handle a snake of this size." to music that glorifies death, so

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U.S. Police Moscow's Treason Trial Is in Disarray The presiding judge, Major General Anatoli an association of military-industrial enter-Ukolov, said the court would ask Russia's prises.

standing parliament, the Supreme Soviet, to

examine "serious violations" by the prosecutors and to consider how the "real independence" of

the prosecution team could be guaranteed.

General Ukolov said the case would be sus-pended until the Supreme Soviet responded. The judges did not explicitly call for Mr. Ste-pankov and Mr. Lisov to be replaced, though that seemed to be their implication. The prose-

cutors serve under the authority of the parlia-

ment according to the current, controversial

The involvement of the Supreme Soviet will

give an overtly political cast to the case, which now seems as botched as the coup attempt itself. The trial originally opened April 14, but was suspended after the illness of one defen-

dant, Alexander I. Tizyakov, a former leader of

By Steven Erlanger New York Times Service

MOSCOW - The treason trial of 12 former Soviet leaders accused of carrying out the failed August 1991 coup attempt turned into farce Tuesday as the presiding judges suspended the proceedings indefinitely on the grounds that the chief prosecutor was biased.

Meeting after a monthlong suspension be-cause of the illness of one of defendants, the three military judges accepted a defense motion that the prosecution team was tainted by the misconduct and bias of Russia's chief prosecutor, Valentin G. Stepankov, and his deputy. Yevgeni Lisov.

The two men wrote a best-selling book about the coup, "The Kremlin Conspiracy," which was published long before the trial opened April 14. It detailed much of the government's evidence and described the defendants as crimi-

to handle drug dealers and terror-ists on a daily basis," said Dennis Martin, president of the National Association of Chiefs of Police. Interpol is a network of about 160 countries that exchange information on criminals. It is adminis-

tered by a secretariat in Lyon. Mr. Martin's association, which represents about 11,000 police officers, has put its weight behind a European Community criminal in-telligence network called Europol, which is to begin later this year.

"We wholeheartedly support the setting up of Europol which is indopendent from Interpol," Mr. Mar-

Condemn

As Corrupt

BRUSSELS - U.S. police chiefs

and law enforcers attacked Inter-

pol on Tuesday as an incompetent,

corrupt body that they said put

"Interpol's security is borren-

dous and is threatening the lives of

the police on the streets who have

police across the world at risk.

Interpol

Mr. Martin and Ouinlan Shea, a former adviser to the U.S. Department of Justice, were in Brussels to discuss the creation of Europol. Mr. Shea said he boped the EC project could serve as a model for future international police cooperation, adding that Interpol had

been notoriously incompetent in the past at squashing crime. "We must do better than this," Mr. Shea said. The criminals are gerting ahead of us. We need an international police network which has integrity and credibility."

Interpol officers had been convicted of drug trafficking.

remote superstate that will dissipate our politi-

Russian Constitution.

But Kirstine Munk, a student who voted for the treaty, reflected both the government's arguments and voters' general lack of enthusiasm, saying: The problems we have today are much bigger than one country. History changes, ev-

quires unanimous approval to go into effect. Mr. Major, facing heavy opposition to his pro-Europe stance from the ranks of his own Conservative Party, is expected to be strengthened

up. Although the legislature has approved the treaty, its fate now lies with the country's high-

Mr. Stepankov and Mr. Lisov are not taking

part in the trial, and the team of nine prosecu-

tors argued that they were acting independent-

ly. Defense lawyers, however, successfully ar-

gued that the prosecutors' careers depended on their boss, Mr. Stepankov.

The defendants showed little emotion when

the decision was announced, but their families

broke into applause. The 12, who include the former Soviet vice president, prime minister, defense minister and heads of the KGB and the

esislature, face possible death penalties if they

are found guilty of treason. The country they are accused of betraying, the Soviet Union, no longer exists, and they have argued in newspapers and lectures that rather than betraying the

Soviet Union, they were trying to save it from

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In the event of a "no" vote by the Danes, Chancellor Helmut Kohl was planning to call for an emergency European summit meeting to

YES: Danes Approve Treaty on European Unity, Reversing '92 Rejection close cooperation with other countries, not a est court, which is to rule this year on the remote superstate that will dissipate our politi-

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teurs, was outspent and unable to answer the central question Maastricht advocates threw at them: What would Denmark do after rejecting

"The campaign was much rougher this time," said Drude Dahlerup, a political science professor who led the June Movement campaign against the treaty. The government American-ized their campaign. The prime minister would not debate, he only held rallies. There were a lot of personal attacks. It was very un-Danish."

The arguments against the treaty were emotionally powerful, striking at Danes' fears that their five million people would be lost among 340 million citizens of a united Europe.

"It's not that I dislike my fellow Europeans," said Mikael Rothstein a historian of religion in

said Mikael Rothstein, a historian of religion in Copenhagen. "I voted "no" because we need

Only Britain and Germany now have yet to complete ratification of the treaty, which re-

by the Danish vote. The situation in Germany is more of a tosscreignty to the Community.

develop a new unity treaty. A small group of countries including Germany. France and the Netherlands was considering going ahead with unification on their own. But Europe is instead back to finding a way

to carry out the Maastricht treaty. The massive document calls for the 12 countries to spell out details of their political and economic union at a conference in 1996.

At that point, said Henning Olsson, domestic editor of the Copenhagen daily Politiken, "We may have to get ready for a third referendum. This isn't over yet."

EUROPE: Danish Vote Only Frees the EC to Get Back to Big Problems

four years."

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tive impact on Europe's economies Mr. Martin said that at least 10 by helping to trigger currency spec-nterpol officers had been convict-ulation. Kim Schoenholtz, director of economie and market analysis at Salomon Brothers in London, said this year's vote will not have anywhere near as dramatic a positive

> He said the result may enable Denmark to cut its short-term interest rates, which at nearly 10 percent are cripplingly high in relation to an inflation rate of just 1.1 percent. But the wider impact will be limited because the difference in interest rates between German levels and those of its partners, particularly France, have oarrowed sharply in recent weeks.

The market has largely dis-counted a yes vote, he said. In addition, market participants and European officials remain wary of the contradictions between the Maastricht treaty's monetary combat recession and unemploy-

Philippe Maystadt, Belgium's finance minister, opened a potential Pandora's box over the weekend by suggesting that the Community would have to relax Masstricht's strict requirements on low inflation, government deficits and overall government debt if the recession continues into next year, as most economists now predict.

Currently, only Luxembourg meets the Maastricht criteria for & single currency, and most economists do not see the presumed hard-core countries such as France, Germany, Belgium and the Nether-lands getting their budgets into line by the first target date, 1996. But discussing a change in the criteria remains taboo because it could only exacerbate German hesitance about giving up the Deutsche mark, EC officials admit.

Mr. Christopherseo said the goals and current EC efforts to Maastricht treaty left open the possibility of reassessing the conver-

member states were far from reaching the targets now, but said the fact that most members could have met them when the economy was buoyant in 1989 showed that "a lot can be done in the next three or

Even if the single currency plans stay on target, a two-track Enrope cials and diplomats here is that the is still on the cards because Denmark and Britain have decided to get beyond the paralyzing debate opt out. In addition, Mr. Schoenioliz said, forward interest rates indicate that the financial markets economic performance will converge toward the members of the

hard core anytime soon.

Denmark's decision not to take part in Maastricht's plans for greater cooperation on foreign and defense policy, as well as moves to-ward a common EC citizenship the conditions for its approval this time around - underscore the continning divisions over whether the Community needs to develop as a centralized federal state or remain a looser grouping of sovereign na-tions linked mainly by a single mar-

ment, the prime objective of the Copenhagen summit meeting next month.

The lines Marked Relation 1. The control of the contro Hans van den Broek of the Neth-

erlands, commissioner for external political affairs, acknowledged the differences but said it was "not the time to be pessimistic" now that Denmark has given a push to Euro-Indeed, the belief among offi-cials and diplomats here is that the

over whether Europe needs a federal state, at least for the time being. That fundamental question will do oot believe that Spain or Italy's have to be resolved more clearly in an intergovernmental conference planned for 1996.

"The forward movement of European union can continue," said one diplomat, even while member states continue to debate the precise outline of the Community's future structure.

In addition to British ratification, which the government of Prime Minister John Major hopes to achieve by October, the treaty also must survive a challenge in 24. Germany's constitutional court in. : . over whether Maastricht violates Z......
German sovereignty and principles Those divisions could become of democratic control. A decision is even more difficult to manage if the expected in July.

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Foes Agree To Accept Cease-Fire 6 In Croatia

By William Schmidt

New York Times Service ZAGREB, Croatia - The United Nations reconvened talks Tuesday between rival sides in what some diplomats here now describe as the Balkans "forgotten war," the ongoing, sometimes desultory struggle over the rugged Croatian hinterland between Croats and ethnic Serbian irregulars.

In a meeting in the town of To-pusko, inside Serbian-controlled Croatia, a delegation of Croats and Croatian Serbs met for the first time in six months to discuss a conflict that since January has resulted in n unbroken rhythm of gun and shellfire along the frontier of the self-styled Serbian Republic of Krajina, well inside the borders of Croatia itself.

[The two sides agreed to carry out parts of the Vance-Owen peace plan and adhere to a cease-fire, according to a mediator, Lord Owen, quoted by Reuters.

This does mark the first important step towards the implementation of the Vance-Owen peace

plan," be said.]
While Washington and Europe have been preoccupied with how to

separate battling Croats, Muslims
and Serbs inside the neighboring republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina, and impose a peace settlement there, the battling inside Croatia bas gone on steadily if often un-speciacularly, seldom noted beyond the Balkans.

Beyond occasional reports of civilian and military casualties, it has left road and rail links between Zagreb and the coast blocked or severed, disrupted the supply of electricity, wreaked havor with the local economy and unleashed a tide

Every morning, radio stations on both sides of the Croatian divide routinely report news of fresh clashes, including infantry skirmishes, along a wide are that ex-tends from just outside the southern coastal towns of Zadar and Sibenik, to Karlovac, an industrial crossroads nearly 160 kilometers (100 miles) to the north, and barely

a half hour south of Zagreb itself. The meeting Tuesday was bro-kered last week by Vitali L Churkin, the Russian deputy foreign minister, when he visited both Zagreb and Knin, the nominal capital of the rump Serbian republic. According to sources in Zagreb, Mr. Churkin told the Croatian Serbs they were locked in a war of attrition with the Croats, and ought to at least talk about ways to cooperate on the restoration of critical services to the area, including rail and road lines and electricity.

Abutting the southwest frontier of Bosnia-Herzegovina, this rugged highland area of Croatia is regarded as key to any lasting agreement between Croats and Serbs. It was the focus of some of the earliest fightiog in the Balkans, when fiercely nationalist Serbs living in the area resisted attempts by Za-greb to impose its political and cultural imperative over the Krajina. Although Krajina geographically belongs to Croatia, it historically

has been a Serbian redoubt.

Officially, Zagreb and Belgrade agreed to stop fighting one another in 1991, with as much as 30 percent of Croat territory under Serbian guns while the United Nations tried vainly to broker its return to Croating civil authority. Croatian civil authority.

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Then, in January, exasperated Croats mounted a surprise offensive on Serbian irregulars inside Croatia, trying to take by force what they could not win by talking. They pushed back Serbian lines as many as 40 kilometers along the Dalmatian coast, recapturing the Maslenica gorge, where a key highway bridge had been destroyed in fighting. They also captured the Peruca bydroelectric plant, 145 kilometers to the north, although lometers to the north, although damage to a nearby dam has rendered it all but useless.

In turn, the Serbs began regular shelling of Croatian lines and villages, as both sides refused, until Tuesday, to return to the bargain-

ing tale.
Western diplomats and UN officials said they did not hold out much hope that the talks would make any substantive difference. Until now, both sides have remained implacably resistant to any sort of compromise. The Croats have insisted on controlling their own territory, under the terms of recent UN agreements. The Knin Serbs have refused to knuckle under to Creation with original to the Creation with original to the control of the control of

der to Croatian authority.

But there is widespread agreement that something must be done to relieve the tension building in the area, amid fears that the situa-

tion could easily trigger another

Serb-Croat war. At best, the UN says, the object of Tuesday's exercise was modest

to establish what they describe as a forum where the two sides can sit down to discuss economic is-sues, such as the supply of electric-ity, while agreeing to maintain an interim cease-fire. In the coastal city of Split, for example, there is often no electricity at all during the day, because of damage to the hy-

droelectric grid. So far, the United Nations has had no success at all in carrying out provisions of UN Resolution 802. which among other things calls for the demilitarization of areas like Krajina, and the return of refugees and local civil authority.

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Two Muslim women sharing their despair Tuesday after being forced to leave their homes in the town of Banja Luka, which is now controlled by Bosnian Serbs. They went to a refugee center in Zenica.

Russia Pushes a Balkan Plan

Kozyrev Urges U.S. to Accept His Initiative

with each other in the ancient city

Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg

met Tuesday in Medjugore, Bosnia,

to try to mediate an end to Muslim-Croatian fighting. Earlier, in Split, they insisted that the plan named

for Lord Owen and Mr. Stolten-

berg's predecessor, former Secre-

tary of State Cyrus R. Vance, had not breathed its last despite the

rejection by the Bosnian Serbs and

the apparent rethinking by the United States.

van Karadzic, said in a radio inter-

view after talks with General Phi-

lippe Morillon, commander of the UN humanitarian forces in the

Bosnia, that if international forces

greed to separate the combatants

along the existing front lines, "we could end this war in two weeks."

the U.S. position now was, and

intense interest in what the Rus-

sians were up to. The Russian dep-uty defense minister, Boris Gro-mov, came with Mr. Kozyrev to

meet with President Dobrica Cosic

and other leaders of the figurehead

federal government of the rump Yugoslavia before they talked with

There was confusion about what

The Bosnian Serb leader, Rado-

International mediators Lord

the real power here, Mr. Milosevic

Serbia and Montenegro.

Yugoslavia now consists only of

U.S. officials said Monday that

Secretary of State Warren R. Chris-

topher would not accept a Russian

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Mr. Kozyrev said. "There are some

Washington later this week for fur-

suade the allies earlier this month

By Craig R. Whitney

New York Times Service

BELGRADE — Insisting that

the president of Serbia still backed the international peace plan for Bosnia-Herzegovina despite its rejection by Bosnian Serbs, Russia's foreign minister said Tuesday that he hoped the United States would yet agree to a Security Council meeting to carry it out. Foreign Minister Andrei V. Ko-

zyrev met with President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia here after secing the Croatian president, Franjo Tudjman, in the Adriatic resort of Spbt. Mr. Kozyrev said the Croatian leader agreed to accept an international monitoring force along the Croatian-Bosnian bor-

Mr. Milosevic earlier this month renewed a year-old offer to accept an international group of monitors along the Serbian-Bosnian border to verify his claim that Serbia is not allowing military resupply to the Bosnian Serbs who have been driving Muslims from their homes. So far, neither Russia nor the United States has agreed to provide troops for such a monitoring force.

Asked Tuesday whether the Ser-bian president stood by the offer to accept such a force, Mr. Kozyrev said: "We discussed the idea but they have their own plan of deci-sioo-making. President Milosevie firmly reiterated his decision not to supply anything but bumanitarian aid and medicine to the Bosnian Serbs as long as they object to the

After the 90-minute meeting in a former Yugoslav royal palace io the center of the city, Mr. Milosevic told state-cootrolled television that the Russian view of the crisis was "more objective" than that ex-pressed by some Western leaders who called for outside military intervention to stop the fighting.

"Mr. Kozyrev shares the opinion

that the use of force will only deepen the crisis," the Serbian president said. He also noted that the Bosnian Croats and Muslims who had signed the international peace plan were now fighting pitched battles

LOOT: Temples Raided

Continued from Page 1

sheltering in the Angkor temples. While trying to defend Siem Reap. the government army appears to have done little to protect Angkor from art thieves who, in the midst of political and military confusion in Cambodia, have become bolder.

No longer content to steal from

the temple sites alone, such thieves recently launched a series of armed raids on the Angkor conservation center in the town of Siem Reap, where thousands of centuries-old pieces have been placed for safe-

In February, thieves machinegunned their way through the con-servacion center's main gate, shot one of the guards in the abdomen, destroyed the storeroom door with a rocket-propelled grenade and took 11 of the most valuable ob-

jects in the room. Unesco reacted by reinforcing the outer gates and the doors and windows of the storehouse. But in early April, a half-dozen thieves climbed over the outer wall, held the nine guards at gunpoint, and forced each of them to pick a statue and carry it out for them.

"The thieves told the guards that if they didn't pick the best pieces. they'd come back and kill them." Mr. Engelhardt said. "And before they let them go, they terrorized them by blindfolding them and putting guns to the backs of their heads."

Now the center's guards are armed. Skoun Mean, 33, said he prevented yet another a robbery in mid-April by firing in the air when he saw thieves coming over the

fence.

Like much of Siem Reap, the conservation center is without electricity for much of the night. Unes-co is trying to help fend off further robberies by installing bright lights and a generator. It is also training about 450 local police on how to

A Dutch Envoy's Candid Look By Joseph Fitchett PARIS - Going public with candor rare in his profession, a Dutch diplomat involved in the European Community's peace efforts in the former Yugoslavia has pub-lished a book describing how Serbian expansionism and Croatian dissimulation tragically overwhelmed Western diplomacy, thanks to what are described as feckless European policies, colossal United Nations neptitude and the smug folly of the

Balkan war apparently seals the fate of Bosnia, the book offers a guide to the dynamic of events in a crisis where most of the same forces and leaders are still at work.

UN-appointed negotiator, Cyrus

A year after those events, as the

The arguments have a special credibility because they come from an urbane, rarely ruffled career diplomat, Henry Wynaents, the Dutch ambassador to France.

Plucked out of Paris one summer night in 1991, he spent a turbulent, dangerous year alongside Lord Carrington, the European Community's designated mediator, trying to settle the Serbian-Croatian

Availing himself of the Dutch tradition of free speech even among officials, Mr. Wynaents uses his own negotiating experiences — punctuated by action on the ground, including rocket fire at planes and helicopters shuttling him between warring camps — to document the Serbian aggression and, more unusually, to draw up a danning expose of Western fail-ures that continue to haunt diplo-

invitation to a Security Council meeting of foreign ministers to dis-cuss peacekeeping operations on Friday, saying there were too many The book expresses the personal views of Mr. Wynaents, but the Dutch edition carries a laudatory unresolved issues because the Bospreface by Hans van den Brock nian Serbs had rejected the peace foreign minister during the Dutch presidency of the Community in the second half of 1991. Mr. Kozyrev belittled the refer-

endum, saying it had been held in the middle of a war and could not Written in French and originally published this month by Denoel mder the title "L'Engrenage We are in close and constant freely translatable as The Wringtouch with Christopher and other - the narrative recounts the brutal political and military mamembers of the Security Council." neuvers that be witnessed between Serbs and Croats. Along the way, Mr. Wynaents makes deft points political differences, but the most they come down to is whether we about the conflict that apply to the should meet on May 20 or May 25." He said be expected to go to

He draws attention to his own oote in the book, writing: "I've The United States tried to per- tried to recount the facts as I saw them, Readers will draw their own to threaten air strikes against Bos- conclusions." But the conclusions nian Serbian military targets while should be plain, Mr. Wynaents said lifting the arms embargo on the For example, Mr. Wynaents, undrive to destroy their state. Challenging the view that arming the Bosnians would be immoral, he

lift the arms embargo and enable Bosnian forces to resist the Serbian

like most of his fellow European leans toward the American wish to

How West Bungled

notes that a clause in the UN Charter enshrines every state's right to

Beyond that, Mr. Wynaents argues that the West, by standing aside, runs the risk of "creating a Muslim problem in Europe where there is none" - meaning that embittered Bosnian Muslims could eventually become a Trojan horse of Islamic radicalism in Europe.

Bosnia's Muslims, the biggest group in its multiethnic population.

— Slavic in origin like their neigh-

bors - have never strongly felt part of the Islamic world. But Mr. Wynaents says the callous treatment at Western hands could persuade them that they have no option but to turn to hard-line Islamic states.

Lending weight to Mr. Wynaents's judgments is the fact that they are based on actions and notes at the time, not on hindsight distorted by the current state of af-

In perhaps the book's most controversial conclusion, Mr. Wyn-aents argues that peace plans, first by the European Community and then by the United Nations, have been flawed by Western governments' decision to deprive them selves in advance of any credible threat of force. As a result, he says. the plans had the perverse effect of thing the Serbs to more conquest until they reach an outcome they

Now, Mr. Wynaents suggests. the Vance-Owen peace plan will probably win acceptance because it gives Slobodan Milosevic, the pres-ident of Serbia, most of what he wants: above all, the elimination of any substantive Bosnian state.

Just as Mr. Milosevic dropped his surrogates in Croatia at the right time, Mr. Wynaents writes, oow he may accept a peace plan that provides for no refugee return. no Bosnian authority and leaves open the door for more expansion

Mr. Wynaents found the United Nations bureaucracy to be consistently too cautious, "always finding a reason to do as little as possible. But the European governments were largely responsible for this inaction, he says, because leaders refused to reach a common policy

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quarters of its costs in yen. As a result, its operating costs are at least

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system of lifetime employment, however, it plans to do so mainly

through attrition, reduced hiring, buyout schemes and demotions.

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Many features of Japanese corporate behavior, including the priority given to market share over profits and the system of lifetime employment, can be sustained only if business is in a period of longterm expansion. And already, Japanese companies are putting more emphasis on profits, even at the expense of market share, as in the U.S. auto market.

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higher manufacturing productivity

and a surge in exports. When en-

daka arrived, Japan leveraged its new wealth in real estate and stocks

into an asset-buying spree at home

But now there appears to be no

way to escape, except by making big changes in the system. With

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my expanded at double-digit rates a modest recovery this year, as from the '50s to the mid-1970s. many economists expect, compa-But in the latter half of the 70s, nies are discovering that many of is slowed to about 5 percent, then Japan's usual advantages have to an average of 4 percent in the been eroded. Manufacturing, for 1980s. The surge in the late 1980s example, the leading force in Jawas an aberration fueled by cheap credit and an unprecedented boom in land and stock values. The price have become more competitive. of the excess, shown by a growing number of bankruptcies and a

weakened financial sector, will Summerville, director of Asian recontinue to be paid for several search at Lehman Brothers in To-When Japan faced other eco-

Another advantage Japan has lost is its free ride in technology. nomic crises, such as the oil shocks of the 1970s and the endaka or by the so-called Plaza accord of 1985 that affirmed a policy of making the dollar cheaper, there was lowed it to preserve its traditional The oil shocks were overcome by ditions ended with the Cold War.

> Japan will face a brand new world," said Nobuyuki Ueda, senior economist for the Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan. The possi-bility that advanced technologies will not be available could be one of the most important negative fac-

the longest and deepest recession exmains lackluster, leaving only masperienced by any major European nation this decade, but can it break with its dismal record of economic

JAPAN: A Mature Economy Now Must Reinvent Itself

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Even if Japan's economy begins pan's global expansion, is in trouble - not only because of the surge in the yen but also because rivals

"It's no longer profitable to be a manufacturer in Japan," said Paul

For most of the postwar period, Japan paid little for technologies that were important to its industrial development. Most American companies simply underestimated Japan's potential, and the administration in Washington was more concerned with security than with economic issues. Both of these con-

Increasingly, Japan will have to pay more for intellectual property; it will also have to increase spending on basic research, which, unlike ils investment in applied research. remains far below that of the United States and Europe.
"In the 1990s and 21st century,

closed by political reality. At the tors for growth." same time, consumer spending re-

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CHINA: Economy Blooms (Continued from sees 1) Japan - Ready for Restructuring?

nent with two heavyweight economic players — China and Japan.

In its new study, the International Monetary Fund fund does al Monetary Fund fund does not measure China's economy in the traditional way, which translated the local-currency value of a country's output into dollars through corrent market exchange rates.

Instead, the monetary fund measures China's economy through a concept known as purchasing powor parity, which compares currencies not according to their relative values on international exchanges but rather a certain bundle of goods - food, clothing and transportation costs — compared in price with a similar bundle in other countries. It uses that yardstick to compare the total value of goods and services in a country.

Under the monetary fund's new measurement, annual per-capita income in China is about \$1,600, compared with \$370 under previous estimates based on market exchange rates. That compares with per-capita income of \$22,200 in the United States, based on purchasing power parity measures.

The new measure is contained in a still-unpublished annex of the monetary fund's World Economic Outlook, an economic forecast that was released in April.

According to the IMF the new numbers show that China's economy accounts for 6 percent of worldwide output up from 3 percent in

Economists working for the United Nations have made an even higher estimate of China's total output, concluding that it was about \$2.7 trillion last year - even larger than the monetary fund estimates and even larger than Japan's

Tokyo Gains by Becoming The Region's 'America'

TOKYO - Japan's business elite calls it "A.A." That stands for America to Asia," shorthand for how some Japanese companies are addressing their problems - by becoming the "America" of the

when the strong yen slows Japanese exports, for example, shipments from factories in Southeast Asia — many of them owned by Japanese companies — soar, spurring exports of Japanese capital goods and components. With an average annual growth rate of 7 percent to 8 percent in the 1990s, the newly industrializing economies of Asia, or NIEs, are also quickly becoming a substitute for Western markets that have become saturated and are increasingly subject to protectionist barriers. The Asian NIEs act as a built-in stabilizer for the Japanese

economy." said Chi Hung Kwan, senior economist at Nomura Research Institute. "In the long run, given the scale of these economies, they will surpass Europe and America as Japan's largest

Just how large a role Asia plays in Japan's economy was under-scored Tuesday as the government reported that Tokyo's April trade surplus had surged 44.1 percent from a year earlier to \$10.25 billion. The biggest boost to Japanese exports came from Asian demand, up 24 percent to \$11.44 billion, more than one-third higher than the value of exports to the United States and 55 percent greater than the

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New Look * For Lyon Opera

Rare Debussy And Other Risks

> By David Stevens International Herald Tribune

YON - With a distinct taste for risk, the Opéra de Lyon bas launched itself into the future with a new, high-tech theater built within the walls of the old, and with a weekend flurry of boldly new productions - one of them no less than a world premiere of an opera by Claude Debussy previously known mainly to

There is, of course, good news and bad news. The best news about the new theater is the acoustics of its 1,300-seat auditorium, kind to voices, warm without being over-reso-

nant, clean without being dry.
Second, the opening production, "Rodrigue et Chimene," n work Debussy abandoned in favor of "Pelleas et Melisande," might have been a mere curiosity. Instead, it turned ont to be a very substantial work hy n young compos-er on the threshold of full maturity, one that should interest opera houses everywhere.

The opera nouveau is also called the Nouvel Opera or the Opera Nouvel — wordplay on the French for "new" and the identity of the well-known and controversial architect, Jean Nouvel, designer of the Institut du Monde Arabe in Paris, among other buildings. His radical proposal was not to renovate the 1831 theater standing between the splendid 17th-century city hall and the Rhone River, but to perform an all-organ transplant within the outer shell. That, plus unexpected difficulties, meant six years of study and building, and a final cost of 478 million francs (\$87 million at current rates), about triple the originally

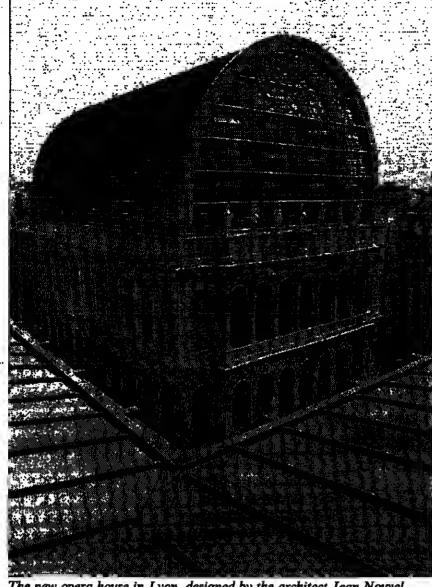
All that is left of the old theater (itself built on the site of an 18th-century theater by Souf-flot) is the two-level, areaded exterior, the flamboyant grand foyer on the orchestra level and the statues of eight Muses. Eight? It seems that the 1831 architect, Antoine Chenavard, provided only eight pedestals for the Muses, so Urania, the Muse of Astronomy — of little relevance to a theater in any case — was left

Since Nouvel could not expand horizontally, be did it vertically, going six levels underground and donhling the above-ground height with a buge half-cylinder glass superstructure, looking something like a dirigible hangar. In the process he doubled the theater's useable surface and included a number of previously nonexistent features - rehearsal stage, scenery and orchestra pit elevators, a 200-seat auditorium, ballet and chorus studios among

what is likely to disconcert the public is that Nouvel shares Henry Ford's attitude toward color - you can have anything you want as long as you want black. The architect dresses in black, from hat to shoes, and except for the old foyer, the interior of the theater is hlack. The street-level entry area, with its shiny black surfaces, unconventional lighting and low ceiling, is downright claustrophobic, and rising to the "suspended" auditorium by a network of narrow escalators does not ease the impression.

This is less important in the auditorium, where the gray-blackness and decorative nentrality tend to focus attention on the stage. Its 1,300 seats are arranged on an orcbestra level and six horseshoe-shaped balconies, two more levels than the old theater. The number of scats is about the same, but the sight lines are now superior in most of the side seats.

This juxtaposition of old and new was carried out in the three opening productious - a world premiere by Debussy, and radical re-



The new opera house in Lyon, designed by the architect Jean Nouvel.

readings of Offenbach's "Tales of Hoffmann"

and Delibes's ballet "Coppélia."

Debussy tackled "Rodrigue et Chimène" nbout 1890, when he was not yet 30, under some parental pressure to set an uncongenial hibretto (the story is the same as Corneille's "Le Cid") by an important writer, Catulle

With the new theater comes a growing budget and a commitment to more performances.

Mendès. A three-act piano score was substantially complete when the composer dropped it to work on "Pelleas."

Debussy gave it out that the piano score was accidentally hurned, but that was a fib, and after being for a while in the possession of Alfred Cortot, it ended up in an American collection, on deposit at the Morgan Library. An English musicologist, Richard Langham Smith, unraveled some problems like missing sharps and flats, preparing a piano-voice edi-tion that has been the basis of an orchestration hy the Russian composer Edison Denisov.

At first hearing, Denisov's realization is highly convincing, Listeners expecting to hear distant echoes of Wagner, Mussorgsky or Massenet will be gratified from time to time, hut mostly this is mature (albeit pre-"Pel-leas") Debussy. The composer is highly responsive to the conventional, and sometimes crude, libretto, the best of which is in the love

Kent Nagano, the Lyon music director, conducted with vigorous commitment, and a solid cast was headed by Donna Brown and Laurence Dale in the title parts, with Jules Bastin and Jean-Philippe Courtis as the fathers whose enmity causes all the trouble. Georges Lavaudant staged it in the little space left by Jean-Pierre Vergier's curving, stylized castle

Louis Erlo, the theater's director, assigned

himself to Offenbach's long-suffering "Les Contes d'Hoffmann," and although he based it musically on the new and thoroughly re-searched edition by Michael Kaye, he did such radical surgery that he agreed to Kaye's re-quest to rename it "... Des Contes d'Hoff-mann" — "Some Tales" instead of "The

Erlo cut it to less than two hours running time, without intermission, and presented it as a sequence of events taking place in a mad-house, with the quadruple villain, marvelously sung by Jose Van Dam, as either the hospital director or an inmate pretending to be the director. It was hard to tell.

Except for some touches like a real-life mother for Antonia, it did not work very well, hut some of the singing — by Daniel Galvez-Vallejo, Natalie Dessay and Barbara Hendricks, and Gabriel Bacquier's multiple characters - would have been welcome in the full

opera, as would Nagano's fervent conducting.
The third premiere, also conducted by Nagano, was Maguy Marin's updating of "Cop-pelia," radically new without betraying the original—based on the same Hoffmann story as the Olympia sequence of Offenbach's op-era. In this version the mechanical doll is supplanted by photographic images as the object of Franz's (and Coppelius's) infantile sex fantasies. The set and the films that supplement the decor put the action in a kind of working class apartment development. In an uproarious final scene, a chorus fine of identically dressed Coppelias (both men and women under the peroxide wigs) romp through the galop final.

Many theaters might envy Lyon its continuity and energy. Erlo started here as a stage director under his uncle, whom he succeeded as director 24 years ago. (Let's hear it for nepotism.) With Jean-Pierre Brossmann, the artistic director, who joined him in 1980, he has hrought Lyon into the forefront of Euro-pean opera and into the world of recording and video. With the new theater comes a growing budget and a commitment to more performances. A theater is a machine, and the people here seem to know how it works.

Through Europe's Bleak Lens

By Joan Dupont

ANNES, France - For a brief moment during the first days of this festival, it looked as though European films were having their

day.
Ricky Tognazzi's "La Scorta," Mike
Leigh's "Naked" and "L'Homme sur les Quais" by Raoul Peck, n Haitian director who has lived in Berlin, Paris and New York, belong to a tradition of grass-roots social realism, inspired by European masters. For Mike Leigh it's Jean Renoir, for Tognazzi, Sergio Leone, and Peck's teachers in Berlin were the Polish directors Krzysztof Kies-lowski and Agnieszka Holland. Wim Wenders, whose road movies have taken him far abroad, has his own brand of imaginative reality, colored by U.S. thrillers signed Nicholas Ray and Sam Fuller.

The people in Leigh's "Naked" are not just naked, they're raw to the bone and bleeding. The movie starts with a rape in Manchester, and moves to London, where Johnny the rapist visits a house of women squatters. Johnny is the man a woman would hate to love — and yet that's what happens. Played by David Thewlis, he's a wise-cracking conman, a self-made philosopher and theologian, who finally outsmarts himself. The characters he meets, the women who snart back at him make up a very contemporary rogues' gallery. Leigh describes Johnny as a frustrated character who has notions about male roles:
"He's a compilation of all sorts of dispossessed people, people who don't fulfill their real potential and their real talent."

Leigh has developed a repertory of brilliant actors who include his wife, Alison Steadman; he has them improvise and then crafts n script. "Naked" disturbs and may well repel,

but it leaves a sting.
Tognazzi's "La Scorta" takes a burning subject and makes it simpatico: When a Fal-cone-style judge is assassinated, along with his bodyguards, a second judge is parachuted to Trapani to replace him. Tognazzi has fo-cused on the bodyguards, unsung heroes, who have their own relationship to Sicily and the recent tragedy. It's a movie brimning with laughing, crying heroes whose mothers pester them to finish their eggplant. Gianni Amelio ("Stolen Children") plays the chief — his wife is in the kitchen dishing

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out the pasta. Released in Italy before the festival, the film with its grinding-brakes action and the Ennio Morricone score are keeping theater-goers on the edge of their seats. The director, son of the late actor Ugo Tognazzi, says be has built on n father-son theme: "It's a coming-of-age story about young men that audiences can identify with. In Italy, the reality is changing and our future rests on the commitment and involvement of the individual."

Peck has also made a film about his country's turmoil, based on the story of n Haitian woman he lived with. "L'Homme sur les Quais" (The Man on the Docks) is set during the rise of Papa Doc Duvalier. Eight-year-old Sarah (Jennifer Zubar) looks out the window one day and witnesses her godfather being tortured, her father humiliated. When her parents are exiled, Sarah and her sisters are hidden in the attic by their grandmother (Toto Bissainthe). Peck has deliberately paced his film slow, distancing the violence from the secret attic through the filter of a child's memory.

"I could have made a great thriller," he said, "but I didn't want the atrocity of the images to blot ont the truth; I wanted to study human relationships and how they change under dictatorship, so you need to watch the details, and that takes time. I'm interested in the kind of choices people are confronted with, the way they react to things that happen - and that's universal. I could be talking about how people react on the New York subway when a woman is attacked."

Wenders's "Faraway, So Close!" is the secured to his 1987 "Wings of Desire," set in unified Berlin, where even the angels are homeless tramps. Damiel (Bruno Ganz), the angel who has come down to Earth, runs a pizza parlor, but Cassiel (Otto Sander) has a rough time and ends up making a pact with the diabolical Tony Baker (Horst Buchholz). This metaphor-laden movie, weighing in at almost three hours, delivers a host of messages about the Nazi past, the future of our global village and the making and the breaking down of images.

Once again, Solveig Dommartin appears on her flying trapeze, Nastassia Kinski is Ra-phaela, Cassiel's guardian angel; Willem Da-foe plays Emit Flesti; and Peter Falk plays self, as do Lou Reed and Mikhail Gorbachev, in a cameo. The angels whisper; the others speak their thoughts aloud in German, French, English, Italian and Russian; there is an über alles sound track and an apocalyptic finish, with kidnappings and rescues.

'Piano': Where Did Rumors Start?

By Vincent Canby New York Times Service

ANNES, France - Long before anyone (including the jury) had a chance to see it, "The Piano," writ-ten and directed by Jane Campion, the New Zealand-born Australian filmmaker, was being called n shoo-in to win the Palme d'Or, the festival's top prize. Nobody seems to know where the rumors started,

Abel Ferrara, the American director whose "Body Snatchers" is also in competition, was so miffed that he said at a news conference that the festival had handed the prize to Campion hen she stepped off the plane.

Feeding the general skepticism was the fact that the English-language Campion film, though shot in New Zealand, was largely financed by Ciby 2000, a French production company with friends in high places. Whether artificially induced or not, the rumors resulted in a first press screening so crowded with what looked to be Cannes pensioners and other nonprofessionals that many members of the press couldn't find seats at the huge festival palace. The remarkable news: "The Piano" is even better than everybody was saying it was. It is a triumph. It confirms the judgment of those of us who found Campion's first feature, "Sweete," the most exciting film at the 1989 Cannes

In fact "The Piano" is so good, so tough, so

moving and, especially, so original that one might reasonably worry whether any festival jury would honor its splendid idiosyncrasies. The film is a post-Frendian period romance about a mute (but not deaf) young Scots widow (Holly Hunter) who travels to New South Wales in the 1850s to marry a pinched, unimag-inative landowner (Sam Neill) she has never met. Only two things matter to the widow, her precocious young daughter (Anna Paquin) and her piano, through both of which she communi-

cates to the outside world. When her husband refuses to allow her to transport the piano to their farm, she makes a bargain with another settler (Harvey Keitel), a crude, illiterate fellow with a nose tattooed Maori-style. He says he'll bring the piano in from the coast if she will give him lessons on it, one lesson for each of the keys on the piano.

She haggles: one lesson for each black key. He agrees. In this fashion begins one of the most enchanting and erotic love stories to be seen on the screen in years.

on's cinema. Though the world she photographs is real, it looks unlike the one the rest of us inhabit. Everything is more finely detailed, more brightly lit, more fog shrouded, more highly colored. Even the grays, the beiges and the blacks have striking resonance. Characters don't analyze their feelings. They seldom even express them. They simply behave, It's up to the audience to find out why they do what they do. Yet such audience involvement comes naturally.

By some manner I don't understand, Campion manages to get inside the heads of her characters in ways that other writers can only do with dialogue. The result is exhilarating.

The cast is superb. Hunter wears little makeup but she's almost unrecognizable as the wom-an who starred in "Broadcast News." Her face is a magical mask, sometimes utterly opaque, metimes transparent. There's not a sentimental moment in the movie, but she is heartbreak-

Neill is fine in a less complex role, while Keitel gives the performance of his career as a most unlikely romantic hero. If he doesn't win an award here, there is always the possibility of an Oscar. Miramax will be releasing "The Piano" in the United States later this year.

In 'Wolf,' Joe Orton Meets Disney

ONDON - David Ashton's "The Chinese Wolf" is at our door, or to be more precise at the Bush. A mournful hunchback (Ronan Vibert) has been left by his Italian Mama in charge of the family scrap yard in South London, soon to be visited by a lesbian mechanic called Ruby, her ex-lover who likes dressing as a nun, two hoodlums out to kill them and, best of all, Desmond Barrit looking like an overweight amalgam of Peter Lorre and Sidney Greenstreet and having a ball as the Mr. Big-to-Enormous who wants to turn

the yard implausibly into a new Fun Center.

As this character's name is Billy Chortles, it is clear that Ashton's gift for subtle satire doesn't run that deep; but he has a nightmarish talent to abuse, and although this is a play that will go anywhere in search of a new idea or even a halfway decent scrap of dialogue, it suggests a dark, brooding talent somewhere between Joe Orton and Walt Disney, overlaid with a seriously weird kind of gothic high camp. "I've just killed my dad, Mother's gone to Brazil, and now trick soap." screams Max in disgust as his hands get covered in black paint.

"The Chinese Wolf" isn't about anything very much more than two hours, but along the way it does divert audiences steeped in the "Rocky Horror" school of Hollywood nostalgia

for actors who go bump in the night. "A hundred percent British fun," screams Mr. Big at the son mother has lovingly set up to be blowtorched by boods in Disneyland masks. Thirty years ago, they would have needed Orson Welles for the film rights. Dominic Dromgoole directs the frantic stage traffic.

Turner, a long-lost world of dragon aunts and snobbery with violence is recaptured in Philip Grout's agile production, set "at Torywood, the family seat of Mrs. Thunderford in 1913."

There, assorted bright young prewar things are assembled to deliver the best of Saki's one-liners: "An inane person, but nice to have around the

Like the Omar Khayyam from whom he stole his pen name ("And when like her, O Saki, you shall pass / Among the Guests star-scattered on the grass"), Hector Hugh Munro does not seem to be at the forefront of critical attention these days. Born in 1870 in Burma, a political

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sketch writer for the Westminster Gazette who was killed in 1916 during World War I at the French front, he lives best in his tales of Clovis and the Unbearable Bassington as a sort of minor P.G. Wodehouse just ahead of his time.

Yet there is rather more to Saki than that, and at the New End in Hampstead (which has recently performed a similarly useful exercise by unearthing J. R. Ackerley's gay "Prisoners of War" from the 1920s). Michael Browning has courageously patched some Saki sketches together into a country-house-party comedy of appalling manners, "Redeeming Vices."
Thanks to some splendid, stentorian perfor-

mances from Richenda Carey and Stephanie

"An inane person, but nice to have around the house, so long as it is someone cise's"; "A woman who insists on taking her husband out and about is like a cat playing with a mouse long after she has killed it"; "She's gone to her room to have as much of a headache as she can manage"; "If you had nursed n viper at your breast, it would have died of food poisoning"; "You can't expect a boy to be vicious if he hasn't been to public school"; "You English never go to extremes," "Oh I don't know, we go to the Albert They don't write them like that any more,

more's the pity.

Into the Barbican from Stratford comes Da-vid Thacker's cool, intelligent "As You Like It" with Samantha Bond and Kate Buffery having swapped roles as Rosalind and Celia, but Anthony O'Donnell is still a malevolent Touchstone and Michael Siberry a languid Jacques.

Thacker here renounces romanticism for n chilly pastoral, in which the Forest of Arden is no more welcoming than the court of the evil Duke Frederick, and the evening as a whole takes its cue from Jacques's distracted, chilly social observance of changing scenes.

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Leipzig Fêtes 300 Years of Opera

By James Helme Sutcliffe

EIPZIG — Leipzig is celebrating 300 years of opera, which began here as it did in Venice and Hamburg, supportded by flourishing commerce rather than aristocratic patronage.

Leipzig and music long ago became almost synonymous, as a major educational and publishing center with the firms Peters and Breitkepf (the latter invented movable music type), the home of the Gewandhaus Orchestra (which plays for the opera toot, the birthplace of the German form of opera called Singspiel (1752), the hirthplace of Richard Wagner and site of the music conservatory headed by Felix Men-

Because the East German state at one stage after 1945 considered making Leipzig its capital, the largest, most expansive opera house— the third since 1693—was built by East Ger-many and opened in 1960.

Unification in 1989 hrought the composer Udo Zimmermann to the position of Leipzig's new opera intendant and he immediately began the process of restoring (some would say, "creating") the reputation of the city as a center for opera. Spectacular new productions with international singers, directors and designers began to replace the older repertoire,

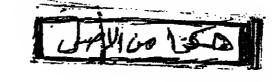
The most extraordinary of Zimmermann's plans, however, is the creation of a new form of artistic axis reaching from Paris to Warsaw with Leipzig as its hub, one that gives the French language in opera a prominence it has never had before in a German theater. A six-week opera festival opened earlier this month with an Istvan Szabo production of "Boris Godunov" — the first of six new productions during that

period, ranging from Johann Adam Hiller's Singspiel, "The Hunt," (1770) to Karlheinz Stockhausen's "Tuesday of Light" (1985).

May 8 and 9 saw the first steps toward a new cultural orientation in Leipzig with the upbeat to a five-year cycle of Jean-Philippe Ramean's operas in French, and a charming production of André Gretry's "Zémire et Azor" — which first reached Leipzig in 1784 — by the French director Bertrand Sauvat, using the young artists of the future opera school as the follypop of the festival's formal opening ceremony.

The first opera in the Rameau cycle, "Hippolyte et Aricie" (1755), was designed and directed by Salzburg's Gottfried Pilz, best known for his work with the American director John Dew.

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This Place Called Bosnia

It was no surprise that the referendum of the Bosnian Serbs rejected the United Nations' Vance-Owen peace plan. American officials and many others would like to believe the vote had no moral authority and changes nothing. But in political terms it sets in deeper concrete a grim separatist reality. The Vance-Owen plan preserves the formal structure of a unitary state, and the Bosnian Serbs reject such a state. Who is to make them accept it?

Currently the leading candidate is Slobo-dan Milosevic, president of Serbia. His country is choking on the war and its effects, including an embargo, and he now proclaims himself ready to cut off the Bos-nian Serbs, whose radical nationalism he once championed. To make sure he does so, other states should nail down the embargo on Serbia and post monitors on its Bosnia border. Mr. Milosevic insists the Bosnian Serbs are a different breed, beyond his control. That sounds like a flabby excuse. He should try harder.

At the same time, it is only prudent to ask whether someone else can help leash the Bosnian Serbs. NATO could, if it chose, raise the cost of defiance. But America's insistence (for sound reasons) on not going it alone, and the allies' deep reluctance to

have stalemated the military possibilities. These are the disagreeable circumstances

in which a second look is being given to the Vance-Owen plan. As a vehicle for a ceasefire, Vance-Owen remains vital, literally "the only game in town." But as a design for a final settlement, it runs athwart the Bosnian Serbs' repudiation of a unitary state. Unquestionably, even if they signed it on-der pressure, they would resist its being put into effect. Since voluntary peaceful com-pliance is the stated condition of an American peace-keeping role, their opposition could leave Vance-Owen in the lurch.

A cease-fire is desperately needed to save lives, halt "ethnic cleansing," keep the war from spreading cool passions and improve the atmosphere for political talks on the Vance-Owen line. But it makes increasing sense to leave room for other consensual political results that recognize the separate identities of Bosnia's warring Muslims, Serbs and Croats. Bosnia was always a place but never before a state. Outsiders might yet undertake to impose a state, but that would take a measure of commitment that is simply not on the horizon. The alternative is to consult the people who live there.

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The Noise About Rights

Clinton's Mixed Start

Candidate Bill Clinton talked tough about human rights, promising a harder line on abuses in Bosnia, China and Haiti. As president, he has fielded an excellent team to devise and carry out policy. Yet the results so far are mixed: tough on some

issues, tentative on others - mainly China. It is good news, for example, that the Clinton team seeks to make noise at the United Nations about flagrant abusers. The president's proposals for a new post of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights and for a special envoy to focus on abuses against women are useful ideas,

China, Iran and Pakistan may oppose UN human-rights monitors, but the United States speaks for more of the world in favoring them. And Mr. Clinton deserves full credit for joining in UN criticism of Indonesia's abuses in East Timor.

Under two Republican presidents, the very existence of rights abuses was often denied or played down — especially when the offenders were military allies or "friend-ly" tyrants, as in El Salvador or China.

Hints of a UN Retreat

In the long struggle to extend human rights, a meeting to be held in Vienna next month could be a milestone. The United Nations World Conference on Human Rights, the first convocation of its kind in 25 years, has been in the planning for more than two years, and six preparatory meetings have been held. Unfortunately, the hopes of nations like the United States, which seek an expansion of rights and a stronger mechanism to guarantee them, are threatened by those who want to step back from the landmark Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted in 1948.

While a UN conference cannot impose policies on member nations, it can make recommendations for action by the General Assembly. The Clinton administration, for example, has proposed creating a UN High Commissioner for Human Rights so that the international body can respond more effectively to investigate, monitor and re-solve situations in which rights are violated. The United States wants the United Nations to devote more attention to the rights of women and to elimination of barbaric

Seasoned human-rights monitors like John Shattuck, Mr. Clinton's choice for assistant secretary of state for human rights. are unlikely to shy from transparent abuses. Mr. Clinton also deserves high marks for speaking out against Iran's call for the mur-der of the novelist Salman Rushdie.

The biggest disappointment has been Mr. Clinton's failure to talk about rights abuses by China or America's callous internment of Haitian refugees. And neither the president nor anyone else has been able to fashion a response to the strife in Bosnia, where noncomparants are slaughtered solely because of their religious or cultural identity. Mr. Clinton has a chance to recoup when

he spells out his recommendations to Con-gress on renewing China's most-favored-nation trading privileges in the next few weeks. He has another chance when the UN conference on human rights convenes next

Jimmy Carter, the last Democratic president, set a proud example in making human rights the heart of U.S. foreign policy. Mr. Clinton ought to aim at least as high. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

practices such as torture. It also seeks creation of a strong, well-financed staff to offer advice and conciliation services. The European Community has a similarly ambi-

tious agenda, as do Amnesty International

and other nongovernmental organizations, This agenda, though, may be stymied by the very nations — China, Iran, Syria — that are most susceptible to censure on humanrights grounds. These countries have sig-naled their intention to challenge the understanding that human rights are universal. They argue instead that everything must be considered in light of custom, religious belief and regional practice. The effect of these distinctions in areas such as women's rights and treatment of prisoners is apparent. They also strongly object to setting rights condi-

tions for international aid. Since the end of the Cold War, the United Nations has taken on a greatly expanded role in peacekeeping and conflict resolu-tion. Protection of individual rights is an important component of that responsibility, and it must be strengthened. For the United Nations even to be thinking of going into reverse is a scandal.

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For Linguistic Diversity

It would take a Swift or a Voltaire to do justice to the battle between Quebec's "language police" and outraged anglophones.

At issue is a law requiring that commercial signs be written only in French in Canada's francophone province. So vexed was an England the state of the French Language. These operatives dealt with 1,800 complaints last year, most brought by four sign-watchers, at a cost of nearly \$2 million.

Alas and hélas, the proposed new sign law won't end these arguments. It would

lish-speaking undertaker in southern Quebec that he took his grievance to the United Nations, and lo, its Commission on Human Rights has ruled that the French-only law conflicts with the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

Americans need to mind their tongues before ridiculing Quebec. A similar argument divides Florida's Dade County, where the Spanish-speaking majority wants to scrap an English-only rule that applies to

Normally rational beings can turn loopy on questions of language. Partly in response to Gordon McIntyre's protest over calling his funeral home a salon funeraire, Quebec's parliament is debating a law that would modify the French-only rule.
Passion abounds. "If this law passes,"

thunders Camille Laurin, an old-line Quebec nationalist, "Quebeckers can say goodhye to a French-speaking nation." An English-speaking columnist in Montreal charges that the French-only rule is arrogant and uncivilized — straight out of a tradition that defames English-speakers as "scum, enemies, robbers, slave-drivers, aliens, corrupters of religion, culture and

language, oppressors and demons."

Especially irksome to anglophones are the "language police" of the Commission for the

permit non-French words on signs — but only if those in French are twice as big. One can already picture Quebec's linguistic cleansers, armed with metric tape measures, calibrating the precise prodominance of Voltaire's language over Swift's, to the bea-

The pity is that the Quebec language war caricatures a serious debate. French-speakers are fearful of being overwhelmed by English-speakers, as the latter are by Spanish-speakers in Florida. These worries are scarcely new. American English-speakers were so fearful of German a century ago that laws were enacted in the Middle West to forbid use of German in schools. In fact, monolingual America has gone so far the other way that it trails virtually all industri-

al countries in language skills.

A confident majority accepts and welcomes minority cultures. Given the pervasiveness of English in America, the majority tongue needs no legal protection. One wonders how English-speakers in Miami who charge that Hispanic immigrants have created "another Cuba" can be indifferent to the vitality that bilingualism brings to their city. That's also true of Montreal. It is a human perversity that linguistic diversity should be seen as a curse.

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Act Now To Save Kosovo

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P RISTINA, Kosovo — Whatever the fate of the Vance-Owen peace plan, two million Albanians in the Republic of Kosovo face imminent danger from the Belgrade regime, which has ruled my country with an iron hand since the Serbs attempted to revoke our autonomous status in 1989.

If the plan is ultimately approved rhich is doubtful, ultranationalistic Serbs will feel free to pursue the total subjugation of Kosovo, where ethnic Albanians have been subjected to a quiet process of "ethnic cleansing." And if the plan is rejected and the United States decides on air strikes against Serbian targets in Bosnia, the Belgrade government may crack down even harder on Kosowo as a way to stir

In recent weeks, the Serbs have seat additional troops and national police to Kosovo. Belgrade has in-creased the flow of arms to its paramilitary proxies here. It is arming Serbian civilians while confiscating

nationalistic fervor in Serbia.

weapons from Albanians.

Harassment, interrogation and beatings of Albanians in Kosovo have increased dramatically. On May 11, heavily armed Serbian police surrounded the Pristina market, blocked the exits, and searched everyone. The same day, Serbian soldiers appeared at checkpoints in Pristina and throughout Kosovo, in the army's most open display yet of its force and

The civil, human and national rights of ethnic Albanians, who comprise 92 percent of the Kosovo population, have been abrogated by the Serbs since 1989. Martial law meant no Albanian-language elementary or high schools; limited access to health care, since Albanian physicians were fired; and no jobs for 80 percent of the Albanians, who were summarily dismissed. Nearly 300,000 Albanians have been forced to flee Kosovo.

This situation cannot go on. We have preached and lived by peaceful opposition to Serbian brutality. Yet, ess we are allowed to pursue our basic rights, our people will have no recourse hut to take matters into their own hands. That would present Slo-bodan Milosevic, the president of

B OSTON — I first met Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, the new prime minister of Italy, under un-

usual circumstances. Fourteen years ago I invited him to lunch along with Mario Sarcinelli, a senior official of the Bank of Italy, who had just been released after spending two weeks in jail

on trumped-up charges,

Mr. Sarcinelli, along with Paolo Baffi, then the
governor of the bank, had been investigating the
illegal practices of the Banco Ambrosiano — the

bank run by Roberto Calvi, who was later found hanging from a rope under Blackfriars Bridge in London. Mr. Calvi's political godfathers protect-

ed him by "burning" Mr. Baffi and Mr. Sarcin-

elli. The two magistrates who brought charges

against them were believed to be acting on behalf

of Giulio Andreotti, then prime minister.

I invited Mr. Sarcinelli as a gesture of solidarity from the U.S. Embassy. I added Mr. Ciampi to

our group because he was the No. 2 at the bank.

A few weeks later Mr. Baffi resigned as governor

and Mr. Ciampi took his place. The bank's authority had, for the moment, been severely shaken. Few believed that Mr. Ciampi — never one of

the stars of the bank and generally considered no more than a careful, pleasant administrator — could restore it to its position as the only govern-

mental institution in Italy that combined high

But he did so. Rather than taking the pressure off the Banco Ambrosiano, Mr. Ciampi in-

creased it. This led to the public exposure of Mr.

Mr. Ciampi's central task, the conduct of mon-

competence and absolute honesty.

Serbia, with an excuse for a military crackdown. The disastrous result would make the tragedy of Bosnia

Don't Underestimate the Pleasant Signor Ciampi

By John W. Holmes

etary policy, was made exceptionally difficult by the enormous and continuing government defi-cits run up by Italy's multiparty governments during his tenure. In fact, Italy's record in areas

like inflation has been better than could have

been predicted, largely due to the bank's efforts.

made, however, was to serve as the one official

voice of reason in a system increasingly devoted to reaping the financial benefits of political pow-

er. Every year, in his annual report, Mr. Ciampa spoke, sometimes in excruciating detail, of the consequences of the Italian government's failure

consequences of the Italian government's failure to manage itself, and the economy, with prudence. Increasingly, his reports took on a political tone, suggesting that a system that could not mend its ways, despite abundant indications of the need to do so, needed to be changed.

Mr. Clampi's anthoticative critiques are among the sources of the ferment in Italy during the last transferred the size of protest parties in

the last year, from the rise of protest parties in the national elections of April 1992 to the over-

whelming repudiation of the old electoral system in the referendum of April 1993. He made Ital-

ians aware that the old system was mismanaging Italy so badly that the country might not qualify

to join in the economic and monetary union of Europe; indeed, that their very claim to being

Mr. Ciampi's record as governor makes me believe it is rash to write him off as prime

part of Europe was at stake.

The most important contribution Mr. Ciampi

pale in comparison.

Many Western leaders have accurately linked what is happening in Bosnia to the future of Kosovo, and hence the future of the entire region.

If the Serbs act recklessly in our country, then Macedonia, Albania, Bulgaria and Greece almost surely will be drawn into the fray. Turkey may not be far behind. We would

have the makings of a major Balkan

have the makings of a major Balkan and possibly European conflict.

Western leaders reeling from charges of inept Balkan policy should take this possibility seriously, and act accordingly.

President Bill Clinton is aware of the risks. Recently, Secretary of State Warren Christopher told journalists that a "principal purpose" of any U.S. military involvement in the Balkans would be to stem increased Serkans would be to stem increased Serbian violence in Kosovo, and the Clinton administration is considering sending a few monitors to join an international contingent here. Yet, neither the United States nor its allies

have proposed protection for Albanians in Kosovo. Peace and stability in former Yugoslavia will remain elu-sive without this critical step. We have offered a plan for peace in

Kosovo that has drawn support from many in the West. It calls for:

many in the West, it calls for:

• The establishment of Kosovo as a United Nations protectorate.

• The deployment of UN or NATO peacekeeping troops in sufficient numbers to maintain peace.

• The placing in our country of more human rights monitors from the Conference on Security and Confe the Conference on Security and Co-

operation in Europe.

• The extension of the flight exclusion zone over Kosovo.

The exemption of Kosovo from

international sanctions on Serbia.

• The halting of the Serbian policy of intimidation that has resulted in quiet "ethnic cleansing."

• The disarming and disbanding of

Serbian paramilitary groups in Ko-sovo and the placing of their heavy artillery under international control, thus demilitarizing Kosovo.

• An end to Serbia's practice of colonizing Kosovo hy importing

Serbs from Bosnia and Montenegro. The reopening of Pristina airport as a supply line for badly needed food and medicine. An end to the ban on the conven-

ing of the Kosovo Parliament. World leaders and the international media have described Kosovo as a powder keg ready to explode. That is an apt description. If the world does not come to our aid now, our unarmed population will suffer a slaughter even worse than that in Croatia and Bosnia.

Serbian military units surround most of our major cities and towns. Artillery guns have been calibrated to target key Albanian neighborhoods. It is clear that Mr. Milosevic

is preparing to act.
The events of recent weeks alarm
us. They should alarm the United
Nations and the international community as well.

We have appealed urgently to the United Nations Security Council to take up the Kosovo crisis. Action is needed now to prevent a massacre of most frightening proportions.

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minister. He has the right background and per-sonal dedication for a job whose main tasks will be to reform the electoral system and get Italy's

fiscal house in order.

But I get a special pleasure from the moral aspect, if I may put it that way, of his nomination. Finally the competent and honest part of

Italy is getting its turn in government. The tuning is exquisite, Mr. Ciampi's nomination came just as Mr. Andreotti, patriarch of the old political order, was going before a Senate committee considering whether to lift his parliamentary immunications.

nity following charges of association with the

Mafia, and as Bettino Craxi, the other pillar o

that order, was fighting to preserve his immunity

amid charges of corruption.

Leslie H. Gelb wrote recently about Italy in a

"plus ca change" vein (IHT, April 23). Some of his skepticism about the prospects for real political reform is well-placed. A change in the electoral

machinery, in particular, does not guarantee that Italy will in the future have stable, honest and

But the revelations over the last year of corrup-

tion and worse seem bound to remove a large

part of the old Italian nomenklatura from power. For the moment there is an opportunity for positive change. Carlo Ciampi may be both symbol and agent of that change.

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competent governments.

It Is Time To Bomb The Serbs

By Dennis DeConcini The writer is a Democratic senator from Arizona.

WASHINGTON — Now that the Bosnian Serbs have defied the international community by burying the Vance-Owen peace plan under the rubble of new artillery attacks, President Bill Clinton and America's allies must take further steps, including military force, to stop the genocidal slaughter of civilians.

But there are deep divisions in Congress and in the U.S. military—not only over what these steps should be but also over why the United

States should get involved at all. The reasons, in fact, are far more crucial to American national interests than those that led the country to send 500,000 soldiers to defend the dictatorship and the oil of Kuwait. First we Americans must act because our moral integrity as the lead-er of the democratic world is at stake. The West must not turn its back once

again on genocide in Europe. Further, America's national security is inextricably linked to the stability of Europe as it struggles to adjust to the downfall of communism.

Democracy is by no means secure in Central and Eastern Europe. Allowing the invasion of the sovereign nation of Bosnia to go unpunished would send a dangerous signal to those who are determined to undermine democratic progress, for example, in the former Soviet Union. Twice in this century, because of

Europe's inertia, Americans have had to go to war to save that continent. For

Allied air strikes would send a message to wouldbe aggressors everywhere.

much of this century. American chil-dren have lived under the threat of communism and American taxpayers have financed hundreds of billions of dollars in military spending. The West must do everything in its power now to ensure that democracy takes hold throughout Europe. If we do not, the consequences could be disastrous. Finally, we must not forget that

Europe represents America's largest trading partner. An unstable Europe. could damage the U.S. economy. Af-ter several fact-finding trips over the past three years to the former Yngoslavia, there is no question in my mind that this conflict, if left un-checked, will soon intensify and spread into neighboring countries.

All this convinces me that America cannot afford to sit on the sidelines. The international community's only option is military intervention.

President Clinton has said, correct-

ly, that America must act in concert with its allies, and he has sent Secretary of State Warren Christopher to develop a decisive policy with them. U.S. military planners are drafting several options, from limited air strikes to participation in a signifi-cant NATO ground force.

I have, for example, been advocat-ing air strikes on Serbian supply denig air strikes on servian supply oc-pots and the lifting of the arms em-bargo on Bosaia-Herzegovina.

The purpose of allied air strikes would be to inflict punitive damage

on the Serbian militants in Bosnia. and to send a powerful message to would-be aggressors everywhere.

At the same time, allied air power could provide cover for the Bosnians

while they acquire arms to defend themselves. Others believe that a much larger effort must be made; I am not opposed to that if a strong case can be made.

To those who believe that any U.S. military solution is a prelude to a

Vietnam-type disaster, I can only ask: Have we learned nothing from the past? How long will we remain paralyzed by previous mistakes? The air force chief of staff, General Merrill McPeak, recently testified before Congress that the "relatively scarce and unsophisticated surfaceto-nir weapons available to the [Bos-nian] Serbs" would permit an aerial campaign that would pose "virtually no risk to ourselves."

If the United States, with the finest military in the world, cannot stem resurgent fascism, what are we, the only superpower, all about? Those who are urging no involve-

ment may sound like they are giving wise counsel. In fact, they are advocating a policy that is much riskier to U.S. national security.

The United States must act now,

through NATO, to stop the killing. Further delay could leave us no choice but the kind of military involvement that no American wants. The New York Times.

Fight the Trendy Tendency to Surrender to Drugs

N EW YORK — Before it is too late, Americans should realize that the concept of the war against drugs is in danger of being disman-tled, and the result will be creeping

Calvi's fraud in 1982.

If that is what they want, they can get it by just keeping silent.

But if they are among the huge majority who believe legalization would build drug addiction into American life forever, then they should make themselves heard now. There is still time.

There is still time.

Until recently everybody interested in fighting drug addiction instead of surrendering to it accepted one concept: The struggle could not be won by one weapon but only through an irreducible variety, each strong. They were six: Reduction of foreign drug crops. Interdiction of drug amaggling, Enforcement of laws against making, selling or using drugs. Education

unfair and unworkable.

By A. M. Rosenthal

the rest of the package.

But now elected and appointed officials are making it clear that they have no real interest in some of the essential instruments of the struggle. A few fed-

selling or using drugs. Education against drugs. Treatment of addicts. Presidential leadership.

Now four are in question: reduction, not been carried out nationwide.

This Law Is Unfair and Unworkable

T WO MORE senior federal judges have joined a growing list of their colleagues across America in refusing to preside over drug cases as a protest to the extreme and counterproductive sentences they are required to

protest to the extreme and counterproductive sentences they are required to impose in these cases. We are very sympathetic with their distress. Tough, inflexible federal sentencing rules, once considered "the answer to rising drug use and crime, threaten to make a mockery of our criminal justice system. Judges have no discretion from the "mandatory guidelines" which impose extreme sentences for even nonviolent drug possession. A young offender convicted of first-time possession of \$50 worth of drugs might be sentenced to a mandatory 20-year prison term. Or, depending on the drug and circumstances, to a 40-year term or even a mandatory life sentence. Such sentences go far heavend determines and defy locic. far beyond deterrence and defy logic.

Average prison terms for federal drug offenders have shot up 22 percent since 1986, while those of violent criminals fell by 30 percent, largely because of the sentencing rules. Is this the best use of scarce federal prison space?

Congress has been unwilling to amend the law for fear of seeming "soft on crime." But the protests of respected judges, along with the private rumblings of hundreds more across the country, must signal Congress that the law is

Professor John J. Difulio Ir., of Princeton and the Brookings Institu-tion, a particularly lucid expert, says

interdiction, enforcement, leadership. For about 20 years, ever since the drug war became an obvious priority, there has been argument about how to divide the money. Mostly it was about how much law enforcement and interdiction should get, com-pared with treatment.

I believe funds for the whole arsenal should be expanded. If not, give more money to treatment, without killing

cral judges are saying they will no longer handle drug cases involving mandatory sentences. They should resign, not just defy legislative law — or be asked to leave by Congress.

tration, including Attorney General Janet Reno, make it known that they do not have much interest in interdiction. How would you like to be an American agent risking his life to fight drug smuggling and produc-tion? Or a Latin president who trust-

administration to another? Drug arrests diminish in some cities because the assumption grows that law enforcement does not work in the streets. Says who? Ask Americans who live in neighborhoods where children cannot step out of the house for fear of drug crossfire. Do they want even less protection than is

ed America to carry out life-and-

death promises from one

that most drug criminals spend only 10 months in prison, less than a third

of their average sentence; that most of their average sentence; that most of them are not in jail for possession but for organized selling and distributing; that in state prisons they are mostly

men who served time for other crimes,

and that on the street the possibility of long jail time is a prime deterrent. I save my sorrow for Americans and

foreigners hunted down by drug gang-sters, or just shot in casual sport. Interdiction is now routinely called

a failure by trendies because it did not seal off America. That was not

the goal - just to make life harder for the drug trade, instead of saying come right in and ruin us.

But some in the Clinton adminis-

now their miserable lot? What's more, reducing drug arrests immediately reduces the hope in treatment. Drug criminals are often hard-core addicts who will not subject themselves to tough therapy until they are behind bars.

Washington — just treadiness, mushy thinking lack of commitment. Perhaps that is a matter of middle-or upper-class background, where it is easier to quit drug use, so it all seems not so terribly terrible. The legalizers

will take advantage of all that.

They will achieve de facto legalization unless Americans speak up, most of all President Clinton. By acting as if the drug struggle is interesting, but not very, he dismantles his own lead-Four out of six endangered - but

all salvageable. Pay attention or pay the price; free choice. The New York Times

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Emperor's Statue

BERLIN - The German Emperor today [May 18] unwelled a statue of his grandfather, the late Emperor William, at Golitz, and delivered an important speech. He declared that what the Emperor William had won and created he was determined to maintain. Whatever there might be to divide the opinion of Germany, all Germans must unite at a time when the future of the country was at stake.

1918: Pro-German Plot

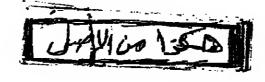
LONDON — Another plot in sup-port of the Germans has been discovered in Ireland. The Government is taking prompt measures to deal with the menace, and a number of arrests have been made in Dublin and other parts of the country, including Sinn Fein leaders and Mr. John Dillon, leader of the Nationalist Party. Viscount French, the Lord-Lieutenant, issued a proclamation: "We invite all I do not suggest a conspiracy in loyal subjects of his Majesty in Ire-

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land to aid in crushing the said conspiracy, and, as much as is in their power, to aid in ensuring the effective pursuit of the war, as well as the welfare and security of the empire."

1943: Illicit Potatoes NEW YORK — [From our New York

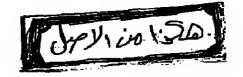
edition:] Mayor F. H. La Guardia, flanked by police and city officials, raided Charles's Barber Shop, near Forty-eighth Street yesterday [May 18] after a score of persons in the neighborhood had called City Hall and the Department of Markets and reported operation of a black market in potatoes in the barber shop. When the mayor arrived he discovered 157 sacks of potatoes — almost 17,000 pounds — piled in the rear of the shop, and the truck in which they had been carried still parked in the front. The barber was charged with violation of the state agriculture and market law, which requires plain marking of the contents of commodities offered for sale in containers.



- The Los Angeles Times.

OPINION

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To Bon Candidate or Watchdog, The Ser Perot Still Holds Clout

By Richard Morin

W ASHINGTON — Ain't it fascin-atin' how the ubiquitous Ross Perot continues to bedevil American politics generally and President Bill Clinton in particular - much to the apparent delight of an increasing number of Americans? As the media grow more and more disenciranted with the Clinton administration, preoccupation with Mr. Perot is surging.
Recently, Mr. Perot filled more than

a half hour of the CBS morning news show. His face, all cars and angles, graced the cover of last week's U.S. News and World Report. Inside, a survey of voters conducted for the magazine attested to the growing popularity of the man one media wag has dubbed "Bossy Rossy."

If a presidential election were held

today, the survey suggested that Mr. Perot and Mr. Chinton would finish in a dead heat, with each claiming 35 per-cent of the vote, George Bush, the poll found, would collect 25 percent, with the remainder undecided, Mr. Perot's showing suggests that his support may have doubled since November, when he received 19 percent of the vote.

Moreover, the survey suggests that if United We Stand America, Mr. Perot's umbrella organization, ran a candidate in a congressional race, the Perot can-didate would do as well as either the Democrat or Republican

"Ross Perot has moved very smooth-

ly from his role of a national presidential candidate into a role as 'watchdog' of the federal government and the Clinton administration," wrote the Republican poll takers Ed Goeas and Dave Sackett, who, with the Democratic poll taker Celinda Lake, conducted the survey for U.S. News, "Where Bill Clinton started his presidency wanting to attract Perot voters into his coalition, he now finds himself in a position of needing Perot's personal stamp of approval on his legislative initiatives in order to

garner majority public support."

One example of the Texas billionare's clout: If Mr. Perot were to oppose Mr. Clinton's health-care propos-als, 39 percent of the 1,000 randomly selected voters interviewed said they would be less likely to support the plan.

Other recent surveys attest to Mr. Perot's sustained popularity. A Washington Post-ABC News poil conducted last month found that more than half of those interviewed — 54 percent said they had a favorable view of Mr. Perot. That is only slightly below Mr.

Clinton's rating of 59 percent.
U.S. News found that Mr. Perot's appeal was surging, from about 24 per-cent in mid-November to 31 percent in anuary to 45 percent in the latest poll. The same survey found that half of those interviewed expressed positive

feelings toward Mr. Perot, and nearly

one in five - 18 percent - were enthri-

siastic about him. But a third expressed negative emotions about him, while 21

inder were neutral. Among his strongest supporters, Mr. Goeas and Mr. Sackett reported, are 18- to 34-year-olds (perhaps feeling a bit left out of this decidedly babyboomer administration), younger Re-publicans, younger men, high-income voters and upper-class voters. These numbers, however, both daz-

percent said they were uncertain and the

zle and deceive. Many observers suspect that Mr. Perot may already have won the political job he is best suited to fill: as America's political gadfly-in-residence, more sound and fury than, some suspect, substance.

"What has struck me recently is that the more Perot withdraws from serious proposals - and he's been beating fast retreat - the more popular he becomes," said Tom Mann, director of governmental studies at the Brookings Institution. "In that sense, he's more a vehicle for the public to express their unhappiness than a means to doing

anything about it." Mr. Mann suspects that Mr. Perot may be more comfortable in an "expres-sive role than an instrumental role." This is a polite way of saying the Texan may be far happier prattling on before television cameras than formulating real policy alternatives -- or, for that matter, serving as president. "Money couldn't buy this much pleasure for Ross Perot," Mr. Mann said

There are doubts about the future of United We Stand America, "We keep on hearing that the organization is struggling at the elite level," said Steve Rosenstone, a political scientist at the University of Michigan and an expert on third parties. "They keep firing people who disagree with them. Take away resources he's pumped into it, it's not clear there is an organization." In other words, it may never be anything more than a Perot-forpresident glee club.

The writer is director of polling for The Washington Post,

Kilo for Kilo, Competence Is What Counts in the Air

By Anna Quindlen

young and suits still ruled the earth, the fantasy job for girls was stewardess.

There were myths and legends about stewardess life, many of them abetted by airline advertising campaigns: perfect hair, great travel and a handsome frequent flier at the end of the rainbow.

MEANWHILE

Really the end, because on some airlines you couldn't stew after 32 or after "1 do." Of course, no one talked about the low pay, long bours and high turnover rate. The world has changed in a hundred

ways since that beauty queen-cum-gei-sha fantasy, since Continental's slogan was, "We really move our tails for you." They are flight attendants now, of both sexes, and most people seem to under-stand that they are safety, crowd-control and passenger-service employees, not

And yet there remain vestiges of the old ways. Flight attendants still have weight limits on many airlines. If you are fat, you get fired. But what passes for fat is average to you or me. Sue Liebling is 44, stands 5 feet 4 and

weighs 144 pounds (1.62 meters, 65 kilograms). Each year, she has to complete an emergency-training course, keeping current on the crash contingencies we passengers don't like to consider at 30,000 feet. But if she doesn't get down to 135 pounds on schedule, 24 years of experi-

and Henry Kissinger, who oversaw one of the most barbarous and cowardly wars in history, or perhaps President Suharto of Indonesia, who presided over

the slaughter of thousands of his compa

triots when he came to power in 1965, before turning his troops on defenseless East Timor to the tune of 200,000 dead.

N EW YORK — A long long time ago, when the Hula-Hoop was Barbara O'Brien just got suspended without pay, even though she recently dropped 28 pounds, baby weight from her second pregnancy. When she flew to San Francisco last week to work a United overseas flight, she was still 12 pounds over her maximum of 133, and they sent her packing.

This small cul-de-sac of institutional stupidity reflects a larger problem with consumer services in America: They are behind the learning curve of consumers. This is how Detroit continued to turn out big pig cars for some time after gasoline had gone on the gold standard, and how manufacturers of women's apparel took it into their heads to bring back hobble skirts at a time when wom-

If airlines talked to their customers about their concerns, I suspect the size of the flight attendants would be far less important than the size of the seats, which are puny to the point of invasion

And some other things:

• For many of us, the most attractive

kind of flight attendant is one who can get you on that inflated slide and ont of the airplane fast if it is on fire. • The figures an airline should be

weighing more carefully are these: ontime departure, on-time arrival, number of flights canceled because the equipment conked out.

• If airlines are really concerned about calorie consumption and flying, they should do something about the food. The official United explanation for

weight limits has to do with "professional appearance." In other words, svelte equals professional. So much for telling girls not to put their fingers down their throat to bring up lunch, that it is performance and not appearance that counts. Some flight attendants make weight in the same way bulimics and anorexics

do: laxatives, diuretics and purging.
But those who work within the flight attendants unions think the restrictions have an uglier purpose, that they combine a yen for the "Fly me" era with the more contemporary corporate yearning to junk older, more experienced workers for younger, less costly ones, Recently, a flight attendants union filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportuni-ty Commission charging that the United policy "perpetuates a sex-based stereotype that female flight attendants must be slim-bodied, attractive women, rather

than competent employees."

More than a few frequent fliers are women on business trips, and it sure is nice to meet older flight attendants, pregnant flight attendants, men flight attendants, flight attendants who look more like us than like Barbie. Above all, flight attendants who can deliver the goods in an emergency. That's all I ask for. Pound for pound, it's competence, training and experience that count.

The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Postwar Wasteland

Regarding "Inside of Denny, Golden Boy of the '50s" (Opinion, April 7) by Edwin M. Yoder Jr.:

Apparently I wasn't the only one af-lected by Calvin Trillin's book, "Remembeing Denny," or the review. Richard Hansen's death touched Mr. Yoder, not because he knew Denny, but because in the enigma of the California sun gods he saw his own life and generation.

I graduated from college in this same period, summa cum lande, had a successful TV career, appeared in "Who's Who." But during my college years, I never felt that I was a "golden girl" or that I was living my "salad days."

On the contrary, I felt cheated and

threatened. Perhaps within me was another Deany - a potential outsider should the required iron gain have been dropped on the American cocktail carcuit. The age was superficial and dust, full Of crew cuts, starched shirts and the conformity of the Eisenhower years. You studied to get a job, an acco guarantee of social status. Most of the people of my background found their

place. Yet they were basically impo

with a weakened sense of identity that came from excessive social pressure.

I remember the pioneer years of television, when I was a production assistant. Programs were live, we worked on the qui-vive with top directors and performers. We were happy, hard-working and lucky! And parties! There were plenty of them! But there was always the apprehension that soon it would fade.

What Mr. Trillin's book reveals is the great mystery of a "perfect" generation: Why did Daedalus fall? His doom was evidently lurking somewhere in this age that feared awareness. Members of the last generation to have known World War II are tuning back to reflect on who they were and who they are, something they did not dare do in the "poisonous template" of professional achievement and social acceptance in that era.

ANNE STANFORD. Palma de Mallorca, Spain. In Defense of Edward Said

Regarding "When Will Arabs Revolt nst Cruelty at Home?" (Opinion, April 14):

A. M. Rosenthal's indictment of Arab inselle stingles got Edward W. Said as a target. This addition to the litany of accusations, calumnies and provocations (including death threats) directed against Mr. Said belies Mr. Rosenthal's remarks about the life of "safe freedom" enjoyed. by Arab intellectuals in the West.

While Mr. Rosenthal freely inveighs against the "irresponsibility" of Arab intellectuals, he exempts himself from the basic obligation of checking the facts. In IHT editions of Jan. 12, 1991, on the same page as one of Mr. Rosenthal's columns, there appeared an article by Mr. Said, "Consider the Terrible Consequences of the Convergence Ahead." He denounced the "remorseless Arab propensity to violence and extremism" and expressed horror at the impoverishment of intellectual life and of civil society "in the Arab world today with its terrible inequities, its self-inflicted wounds, its emshing mediocrity in many fields."

in that article as in others, Mr. Said has provided thorough analyses of and warnings against the many fundamentalisms, nationalisms, dogmatisms and other extremisms that bedevil contemporary cultures, societies and politics. Mr. Rosenthal suggests that Mr. Said should have sought tenure among the "despotisms" of the Arab world. This is a cruel irony. If Mr. Said were to employ his skills in his native Palestine he would be at the mercy of military rulers who close universities, censor publications, restrict freedom of movement and imprison

critics without so much as a sham trial.

Contrary to Mr. Rosenthal's assertion, Mr. Said's "enemy" is not "the West," but those institutions that perpetrate injustice. Mr. Rosenthal, however, allows ideological bias to determine which regimes to castigate and whose causes to champion.

PAUL A. BOVE (and five others).

No Wonder He Left

I was amused to see the photo on April 30 of the Italian environment minister-for-a-day, Francesco Rutelli, seated on a motor scooter, saying the vehicle pollutes less than cars.

The sputtering two-stroke engine found on the typical scooter burns a gasand-oil mixture even more poxious than the emissions of an automobile's more efficient four-stroke internal combustion engine. Ask anyone who has ever choked on the clouds of exhaust from the swarms of unregistered motor scooters in Italy. Further, scooters buzzing through piazzas and up one-way streets are notorious for contributing to the distressingly high levels of noise pollu-tion in Italian cities.

The scooter may be justifiable as a convenience to the user in the nightmarish traffic of Italian cities, where it seems to transform the rider into a sort of demonie motorized jaywalker. But justifying the scooter on environmental grounds? Never.

ANDREW J. SCHILLING.

More Names for the List

Regarding "For the Victims and All of Us, Prosecute for War Crimes" (Opinion, April 19) by Aryeh Neier:

It is true that the world's most wanted war criminals include present and for-mer heads of state. I find it odd that Mr. Neier, executive director of Human Rights Watch, would not include in his list those criminals who are still held in high regard by the international commumity. This list would include such buman-rights luminaries as Richard Nixon

Such a list of war criminals might also include Ronald Reagan, George Bush, Menachem Begin and Pieter W. Botha. BRADLEY R. SIMPSON. Tübingen, Germany. Offer to Defend Whom?

serve in the military. Why offer to defend a country that despises you and treats you like a leper?

PETER ADAMS. How Not to Do It

I don't understand why homosexuals

in the United States are so anxious to

Given the way the U.S. government handled the standoff in Waco, let's hope it stays out of Bosnia.

JOHN FIRTH. Ste. Colombe sur L'Hers, France.

on German business and finance

The Commerzbank report

GENERAL NEWS

Clinton's Policymakers Turn to Africa

By Steven A. Holmes

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — After fixing its foreign policy focus on Russia, the former Yugoslavia and Haiti, the Clinton administration is beginning to turn to Africa.

With American civil-rights leaders and the Congressional Black Caucus lobbying for increased attention to the continent, administration officials say they are starting to look at such issues as Africa's debt load and the civil war in Angola, an 18-year conflict that has been as brutal as the war in the Balkans.

"We're trying to aggressively change the per-ception that Africa is always the continent that is ignored," a senior administration official

Much of the administration's activity has been more symbolic than tangible. But there have been a few concrete proposals.

During the last month, American, Portu-guese, Russian and UN carvoys have proposed a plan to end the fighting in Angola, where a civil war originally fueled by Cold War rivakries and blow driven by ethnic tensions has left an estimated 30,000 people dead, nearly 300,000 refu-goes in nearby countries and countless others

On Friday, representatives of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, the guerrilla group headed by Jonas Savimbi that has fought the government since 1975, refused to agree to several key elements of the peace plan, including withdrawing its forces from areas it recently won.

The refusal by Units could cause peace talks to collapse, placing further pressure on the Chinton administration to recognize the Luanda government of Jose Eduardo dos Santos as a number of the American civil-rights leaders and liberal polincians have been urging it to do.

in elections in September 1992, Mr. dos Santos beat Mr. Savimbi but failed to win a clear majority, making a runoff election between the two necessary. But Mr. Savimbi then refused to

and renewed his guerrilla operations. U.S. officials say the question of recognition is under intense review. One official, who asked not to be identified, said a decision could come

very soon The White House has also decided to ask Congress for \$21 million over the next three years as Washington's contribution to an inter-national effort to help relieve 21 of the world's poorest countries — 18 of which are in Africa, south of the Sahara — of some of their debt. Because these countries debt would be deeply discounted when sold on world debt markets, the \$21 million contribution would wipe \$900 million of debt from the nations' balance

"We look forward to working with our partners to eliminate the debt overhang in lowincome countries over the next several years," Lawrence E. Summers, undersecretary of the Treasury for international affairs, said recently in a speech in Abidjan, Ivory Coast.

The White House tried recently to signal its new focus on Africa by having Anthony Lake discuss the continent's political, social and economic problems in his first public speech since ng the president's national security ad-

And this week, a number of high-level officials, including Secretary of State Warren M.
Christopher, plan to address the African-American Institute, a 40-year-old private organization that seeks to promote relations between the United States and Africa. No secretary of state has ever appeared before the group, though others have been invited.

The new focus comes as civil-rights advo-cates in and outside Congress have been com-plaining about what they said was a lack of attention to Africa by the Clinton administration. Two weeks ago, a delegation from the Congressional Black Caucus met with Mr. Lake to present its views on U.S. policy regarding Angola, Zaire and African debt relief, as well as Haiti. The delegation said it also hoped to meet with President Bill Clinton himself.

"We have deferred with due respect to the fact that he has not been on the job too long," said Representative Kweisi Mfune, a Maryland Democrat and chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus. "But the problems are so urgent that we feel it is high time that the nistration hears us " Mr. Lake has also met with the Reverend

Jesse Jackson and with Randall Robinson, executive director of TransAfrica, a public policy research organization that specializes in Afri-can and Caribbean issues. Both men have been vocal critics of the administration's policies on Mr. Robinson said that while he welcomed

the speeches by Mr. Lake and Mr. Summers, he would like to see specific actions. "And we have yet to hear from Clinton himself," Mr. Robin-

Mr. Jackson wrote to Mr. Christopher last week urging that the administration recognize Mr. dos Santos's government in Angola, American envoys have used the issue of recognition as a carrot to keep the government at the negotiating table and as a stick to also prevent Mr. Savimbi from bolting.

Mr. Jackson also recommended that the White House invite President Ibrahim Babangida of Nigeria to Washington for a state visit as a sign of support for Nigeria's move toward multiparty elections, which will be held next

The failure to meet with President Baban gida is viewed as a real smub and a lack of respect by the Clinton administration of the largest country and most substantial supporter" of American policies in Africa, Mr. Jackson

The administration has yet to develop a strategy for a number of the continent's most nettlesome problems, such as Zaire. There, President Mobutu Sese Seko, a one-time American ally whose government has driven his country into bankruptcy, clings to power despite calls by the United States, Belgium and France for him to step down.

While growth in western Germany is unlikely to revive before the second half of 1993, the economic outlook in the eastern part of the country is improving, with construction and infrastructure projects leading the way. Eastern Germany's main adjustment problems now seem to be in manufacturing, which remained flat last year despite an increase in real GDP.

There are many reasons for the decline of eastern Germany's industry. Not only had its capital stock and infrastructure been allowed to deteriorate, its development was also constrained by former East Germany's system of central planning. However, industry's problems were exacerbated by political decisions taken in the course of unification, primarily the handling of the property ownership issue and the extension to the eastern part of the country of western Germany's collective bargaining mechanisms and regulatory framework. Administrative bottlenecks and excessive regulation have held up an estimated DM 500 billion of capital outlays.

Intervention by the state?

Eastern German firms were dealt a severe blow by the collapse of their markets in Eastern Europe and the CIS. Such a sharp decline in demand could not be quickly offset by access to new markets in western Germany or elsewhere. In such a situation, state intervention

might make sense, provided that demand is likely to revive in the foreseeable future and thus that only temporary aid would be needed. State intervention must be seen as an attempt to bridge the gap between the breakdown of the old system and the emergence of the new.

Deregulation would set in motion the huge backlog of investment projects."

Ways of maintaining eastern

Germany's industrial core

Any industrial policy for eastern Germany must strengthen market structures and promote modernization. Sectors should not be kept alive artheially which are considered to be in structural decline in the western part of the country.

The government's privatization agency, Treuhandanstalt, had a brief to give selloffs priority over restructuring. While the Treu-

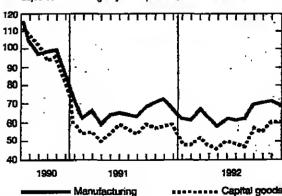
hand has undoubtedly shown flexibility in its efforts to preserve as much of eastern Germany's industrial base as possible, it is under pressure to dispose of the firms still under its wing, which in 1992 incurred operating losses of more than DM 10 billion, on total sales of some DM 50 billion. Most of these are industrial enterprises, which, if at all possible, should be made commercially viable.

In a joint report, Germany's key economic research institutes have proposed quasi-privatization as a strategy for such firms. With this approach, the Treuhand would retain those enterprises that could not be sold but were considered worth restructuring. It would take over such companies' outstanding debts and ensure that they had adequate equity capital. Beyond this, the government

agency would assume no further financial responsibility, but it would appoint supervisory boards to monitor the management of "quasi-privatized" firms.

Another model is the "Management-KG", or limited commercial partnership, which would be a kind of holding company for restructuring purposes. Each of these entities would comprise between 10 to 15 Treuhand firms thought to be potentially viable but still awaiting buyers. Largely independent of the Treuhand, these enterprises would be reorganized and made competitive.

Industrial output in eastern Germany adjusted for working-day discrepancies, second half of 1990 = 100



The privatization process in eastern Germany will obviously receive a substantial boost once western Germany's economy begins to grow again. But implementation of the approaches currently under discussion, together with greater deregulation, would secure even more rapid progress towards transforming the region's industrial base into one of the most modern in the world.

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ANC Eases on Regional Autonomy He said it was a breakthrough

JOHANNESBURG - The ANC announced a possible breakthrough Tuesday in South Africa's democracy talks, while the police imposed heavy security around lomesberg to prevent a musch by

students. The African National Congress's chief negotiator, Cyril Ramaphosa, said the 26 groups taking part in the talks had agreed to consider self-determination for minorities.

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that will give "a great deal of comfort" so those who "believe in the The ANC, by far the biggest

black nationalist group in South Africa, had previously insisted on a strong unitary state.

its acceptance, along with that of the other democracy negotiators, of the concept of regional rule could go a long way toward smoothing the path to democracy.
"Discussion on self-determina-tion," Mr. Ramaphosa said, "will

impact on the whole range of other issues that are delaying the process of negotiation." He listed these as the form of the state in post-apartheid South Afrinalism and a bill of rights. Far-right Afrikaners are demanding their own state. Chief

of KwaZulu and the Inkatha Freedom Party, and several other black homeland rulers want self-rule within a federal state. The latest round of talks took place against a backdrop of a crisis

in South Africa's black schools. which are threatened with mass action by teachers and pupils.

Mr. Mandela and Mr. de Klerk are to meet in Cape Town on Wednesday for talks to seek a way out of the crisis in which 80,000

on pay and other issues.

The police put a security ring around Johannesburg to prevent 50,000 black students from carrying out a banned march through the city center to press their demands for an end to examination

teachers have threatened to strike

Australian Jury Acquits Suspect in War Crimes

tralia's first war-crimes trial ended Tuesday in acquittal for Ukrainian-born Ivan Polyukhovich, who was charged with mass murder in connection with crimes committed in World War II. The 12-person jury in South

Australia's Supreme Court took one hour to acquit the 76-year-old retires. He had pleaded not guilty to being knowingly involved in the murder of up to 850 Jews near the Nazi-occupied village of Serniki in Ukraine between May 1942 and September 1943. He also denied a second charge of murdering a Jewish woman and two children. The prosecution had alleged that he helped German occupation forces in the liquidation of Jews from the

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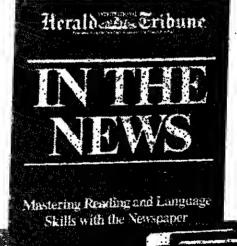
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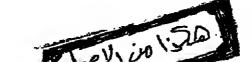
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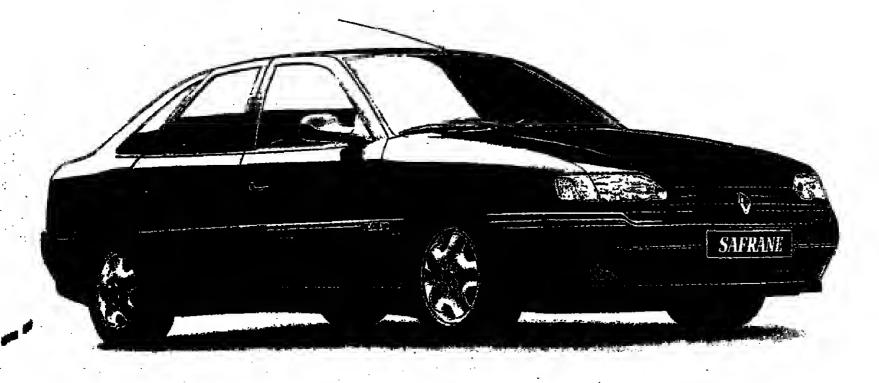
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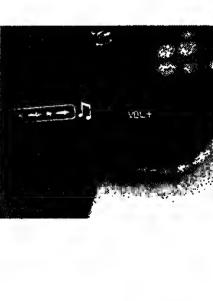
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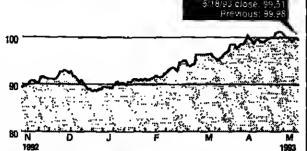
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MEDIA MARKETS

Telephone-Cable Alliances Get a Test Run in Britain

By Richard W. Stevenson. New York Times Service

ONDON - In towns across England, US West and other American telephone companies have been getting a sneak preview for the past several years of their industry's rapid convergence with the entertainment business - and they very much like what they see.

Just how much was clear in US West's decision, confirmed by the companies in New York this week, to invest \$2.5 billion in Time movie studio, HBO and cable

franchises. The deal brings together for Baby Bells are the first time on a large scale in the United States two industries test market here in Britain.

mingling the two that have been feeling each other out in what amounts to a huge services in Britain.

The decision to do the Time Warner deal had as a fundamental basis an understanding of these converging businesses," said Dick Callahan, the president of US West International, which offers both phone and cable television service in Britain.

"It would have been very difficult to make the kind of deal we made — and certainly the size of deal we made — without the base of history and experience we have gained in the U.K."

Although it is gradually breaking down the barriers between the industries in the United States, the Federal Communications Con-

mission continues to limit the intermingling of telephone and cable services by barring local and regional phone companies from providing cable in their telephone service areas. Britain, by contrast, has no such restrictions. Indeed, Britain has sought to promote competition in telecom-

Indeed, Britain has sought to promote competition in telecommunications by encouraging the development of joint cable-telephone operations. In doing so, it has created a rapidly growing industry dominated by telephone companies from the United states and, to a lesser extent, their counterparts in the cable industry, while also giving consumers more choice.

The companies said they were pleased not just with the rapid growth of the cable industry in Britain, but with the willingness of

cable customers to sign up for telephone service from them as well. In addition to what they view as a rosy outlook for long-term profitability, they said that they were learning lessons that would be valuable to them as the telephone and entertainment industries became more entwined in the United States.

The three largest cable companies in Britain are Nynex, the parent of New York Telephone; US West, which operates in Britain in a 50-50 partnership with Tele-Communications Inc., the largest

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Xerox Puts a Computer in a Screen

By John Markoff New York Times Service

SAN FRANCISCO - Xerox Corp. says it has reached a breakthrough in video screens that could combine a computer and television in a flat panel no thicker than a pad of paper.

Xerox, which plans to demonstrate the technology in Seattle on Wednesday, said it could embed the computer chips and circuit-

ry in the flat-panel screens. While flat displays have begun to make their way into notebook computers and are envisioned as wall-sized screens for viewing highdefinition television, putting computing capa-bilities directly into the screens could allow for powerful scanning and imaging devices for military, scientific and medical uses.

The new Xerox displays, measuring 13 inches (33.2 centimeters) diagonally, use 6.3 million pixels — the tiny points of light by which

By Brandon Mitchener

International Herald Tribune
FRANKFURT — The Bundes-

bank rubbed salt in the German

government's wounds Tuesday,

calling fresh attention to the coun-

Bundesbank will cut its key dis-

ries about government spending and inflation.

cut in interest rates.

images are drawn on computer and television screens. The best current laptop computers have screens with fewer than I million pixels. Xerox, in league with American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and Standish Industries, a

flat-panel maker, is seeking U.S. government financing for a consortium to create products that could not only help American manufac-turers reclaim the flat-panel market from Japanese companies but also help retain America's edge in chipmaking.

The Xerox-AT&T effort suffered an appar-

ent setback this month when OIS Optical Imaging Systems Inc., a small company in Troy, Michigan, said it had been awarded a \$50 million contract by the Defense Department to make advanced flat-panel displays. But the department has not announced it would finance OIS, and industry sources said it was still considering the Xerox-AT&T plan.

Bundesbank Decries German Deficits

"The Bundesbank cannot use the

public-deficits disaster as an argu-

ment against further interest-rate cuts," said Gerhard Grebe, an economist at Bank Julius Bar in

Frankfurt. Expectations of a wid-

The Bundesbank last cut Ger-

Xerox is making sample batches of the screens on a pilot assembly line at its Palo Alto Research Center, but executives said it would require an investment of as much as \$300 million to build a full-scale factory line.

Today, Japan dominates the estimated \$4.6 billion market for flat-panel displays, which is expected to exceed \$11 billion by 1998, according to Stanford Resources, a research firm in San Jose, California. Yet American industry officials say that despite Japan's lead, the Umited States still has a technological edge.

The new Xerox display is currently made from amorphous silicon, but researchers said future versions would be based on a related material called polysilicon. Both materials are deposited on glass, allowing circuits to be fabricated in much the same fashion as today's semiconductor chips are made.

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In its May monthly report, to be made public Wednesday, the

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BA's Earnings And Stock Issue Well-Received

By Erik Ipsen terrational Herald Tribune

LONDON - British Airways looks like it will hold on to its title as the biggest-carning airline in the world. On Tuesday it announced pretax profit of £185 million (\$283.7 million) for 1992, a profit that contrasted sharply with recent figures showing that the industry as a whole lost \$5 billion on its international routes last year.

"I think we compare very favorably with our competitors," said BA's chairman, Sir Colin Marshall. In Europe those comparisons are particularly painful for the others, a fact brought home by the equa-nimity with which the market accepted BA's announcement Tuesday that it would raise £442 million through a rights issue. The stock closed unchanged at 297 pence a

the federal government's runaway spending, which has frequently been blamed for exacerbating the central bank's task of stabilizing The rights issue entitles current shareholders to buy one new share. at 245 pence for each four shares "Various special funds and shad-ow budgets," including the Treu-handanstalt privatization agency

they own.
"Because BA is highly profitable throughout its route network that gives them the extra strength of being able to raise capital more easily," said lames Halstead, an analyst with Swiss Bank Corp. in

What is not supposed to happen,

however, is that news of a prospective rights issues leaks out days ahead of the official announcement. as happened with BA. Sir Colin said that his board had requested an investigation to find the source of the leak. The London Stock Exchange is also looking into it.

Even without the leak, BA's need of new funds would have come as little surprise. Having spent a total of £574 million buying large minority stakes in USAir and Qantas Airways, plus a stake in France's TAT European Airlines, BA needed a large cash infusion to bring down its debt burden. When it is completed next month the rights issue of new stock will reduce the sirline's debt-to-equity ratio from 1.6 to 1 to an even 1 to 1.

BA's aggressive cobbling together of what it calls its "global alliance" also increasingly separates it from its European peers. Analysts said that on the Continent, only Lufthansa and Air France ranked as big enough to even contemplate such a strategy, but they stressed that both of them were in such bad shape now that they could oot afford it.

Experts say that stronger competition for BA looms in the proposed alliance of KLM, Swissair, Scandinavian Airlines System and Austri-

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German Union Leader Under Pressure to Quit

try's twin budget and trade deficits ening public-sector deficit "are a even as it considers another small direct result of the restrictive mon-

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However, the chances that the years, he said.

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by a quarter of a percentage point when it shaved the discount rate,

each on Wednesday were consid-ered good despite continuing wor-7.25 percent and the Lombard, a

FRANKFURT - Franz Steinklihler, the head of Germany's largest labor union, on Tuesday came one step closer to joblessness as politicians and unionists demanded his resignation over accusa-

tions of insider trading.
Otto Lambsdorff, chairman of the Free Democrats, junior partners in Chancellor Helmut Kohl's coalition, called on Mr. Steinkühler to relinquish his supervisory board seats at Dalmler-Benz AG and Volkswagen AG. Mr. Lambsdorff cited revelations that Mr. Steinkühler speculated heavily in the stock of Mercedes Holding just days before Daimler-Benz announced a share swap that sent Mer-

cedes Holding shares sharply higher, Mr. Steinkühler made 106,000 Deutsche marks (\$65,700) on the transaction, more than the annual earnings of many of the union members he represents.

The Hesse state district of IG Medien, a journalists' unlon, said Mr. Steinkühler had lost the confidence of workers and demanded he step down as chairman of the IG Metall union, Reuters reported. The chief labor representative at Daimler-Benz, on whose supervisory board Mr. Steinkühler sits, said blue-collar workers were "shocked," adding, "you don't expect that" from a labor leader. Meantime, the strike among engineering workers in Fastern Germany that Mr. Steinkühler led seemed to be totawing to a close, IG Metall said Tresday its members in Sarony world to secret a rilot accord

said Tuesday its members in Saxony voted to accept a pilot accord reached last Friday. Union members in Saxony-Anhalt, Thuringia and Mecklenburg-Vorpommern were voting on agreements modeled on Brandenburg, agreed to submit a similar deal to their rank and file.

Yen Inflates Japanese Trade Surplus

and came sooner than expected at

the time, raised bopes that the Bundesbank had shifted into high

Helmut Schlesinger, the Bundes-

bank president, appeared to con-firm that belief when he said in an interview on April 26 that the Ger-

man central bank's job was to "find

out how far we can go in the pro-cess of cutting rates" without dam-aging its credibility with interna-tional financial markets.

But economic data that might help the Bundesbank justify anoth-

er cut in interest rates now are

TOKYO - The yen's sharp appreciation gainst the dollar was the main factor behind the rise in Japan's trade surplus to \$10.25 billion in April that was reported Tuesday, analysts and officials said.

The surplus, which compared with \$7.11 bil-lion a year earlier, has increased year-on-year for 28 consecutive months now.

But April's trade gap narrowed from March's record \$13,78 billion surplus.

"The rise in Japan's surplus was mainly due to the yen's appreciation," said Nobuyuki Saji, senior economist at the Nikko Research Center. "The economic slump continued to be a factor limiting imports," he added. "But in the longer term, the effect of the yen's rise and Japan's

economic stimulative efforts will help increase demand and narrow Japan's trade surplus."

Although the belief that Group of Seven oations — the United States, Germany, Japan, Britain, France, Canada and Italy — favors a stronger yen to help correct trade imbalances was the main factor lifting the currency, the yen's recent strength has had no immediate success in cutting Japan's huge surplus, econo-

 A high yen raises the value of Japan's exports when translated into dollars. Over time, however, a strong yen should discourage exports and encourage imports.

A Bank of Japan report showed that the average dollar/yen closing rate in Tokyo was

than in April 1992 when it was 133.59 yen.

Japan's customs-cleared exports in April were worth \$30.68 billion, up 12.8 percent from a year earlier. The quantity of some export items, such as vehicles and electrical machinery, declined but the yea's strength helped raise their dollar value

Imports grew only a marginal 1.7 percent in dollar terms, to \$20.43 billion in April.

The trade surplus with the United States grew to \$4.03 billion, from \$3.29 billion in April

1992. The surplus with the European Community fell slightly in April to \$2.62 billion, from \$2.8 billion a year earlier.

With Asia, however, Japan's surplus rose sharply, to \$4.71 billion from \$2.64 billion.

Saarstahl Crumbles **Under Weight of Crisis**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatcher linger-Hütte Saarstahl AG, a hold-

der the weight of the industry's stahl's capital. Another 27.5 perworst crisis in decades.

Oskar Lafontaine, premier of the Saar state that holds a stake in Saarstahl's parent company, said at a oews conference in Saarbrücken that the steel company was losing 30 million Deutsche marks (\$18.5]

million a month.

million) a month. Saarstahl has made an insolvency filing with the district court at Volk-lingen and will operate under a court-appointed administrator nomic slump, and the impact of starting Wednesday, he said. The Saarland state will guarantee wages

and pension payments until the in-solvency had been settled, he said. "When it became clear that the French majority shareholders refused to inject more capital into the company, an insolvency filing was the only choice," Mr. Lafon-

BONN — Saarstahl AG filed an ing company in which the majority insolvency petition with a court on shareholder is the French state-Tuesday, becoming the secood owned steel giant Usinor Sacilor. German steelmaker to collapse un- Usinor controls 70 percent of Saar-

DM in debts.

Saarstahl said its losses were

Mr. Lafontaine said the Saarland state was prepared to aid the enterprise, which employs 7,200

Saarstahl, together with Usinor's Unimetal unit, account for around 25 percent of EC production of tine said. long steel products — rods, bars Saarstahl is owned by DHS Dil- and wire. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Stocks Off, Gold Up **On Inflation Fears**

NEW YORK - Gold soared

MARKET DIARY

Tuesday to its highest level in two years as concerns about inflation caused a flight from stocks and boods into precious metals.

The Dow Jones industrial average finished down 5.54 at 3,444.39, 22 points above its session low. The

N.Y. Stocks

market regained ground in the final hour after Johnson Redbook Service reported that U.S. retail sales were up 1.2 percent in mid-May compared with April.

Still, declining common stocks beat advancers almost 9 to 7 on the New York Stock Exchange. Trading was brisk, with about 262 million shares changing hands on the

Investors often turn to gold as a hedge against inflation, and that was what happened on Tuesday.
"Investors in stocks and bonds moved into the gold market today," said Ronald Spurga, vice president at ABN-AMRO Bank in New York. There's so much pension money splashing around, and people want to diversify their portfolios."

Gold futures for June delivery closed \$8 higher at \$376 an ounce, fully \$50 above gold's price just

over two months ago.
"Gold's up big again," said Richard Ciardullo, head of institutional tradiog at Eagle Asset Manage-ment, Bonds have broken critical

support, and that's got everybody

The Dow

Stock prices had sagged in midafternonn as the specter of inflation drove the yield on the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond above 7 percent for the first time since early April. Late in the day, the long bond was yielding 7.02 percent, up 5 basis points from Monday.

One stock market sector that rose Tuesday, logically enough, was gold-mining shares. Echo Bay Mines rose 11/4 to 12/4 and Newmont Mining Corp. soared 2% to 51%. Battle Mountain Gold added 1 to 9%, Placer Dome went up 1% to 18%, and Homestake Mining rose 11/2 to 19%.

"The market is definitely focusing on inflation," said Robert Sto-vall, president of Stovall/21st Advisers. "You can laugh off the inflationary numbers of the last four months, but you've got a hig move in gold stocks."
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inflation heating up since Thursday, traders said. That was when the government said consumer prices were rising at an annual rate of 4.3 percent through April, up from 2.9 percent in 1992. Bond yields have risen more than 15 basis

The fear among investors is that the consumer price figures rule out interest-rate cuts and may even persuade the Federal Reserve to boost interest rates to choke off budding inflation, traders said.

Maastricht Vote Boosts Dollar Against Mark

traded broadly higher in a lively met Tuesday, to consider tightening market on Tuesday, as Danish voters endorsed the Maastricht treaty the meeting were not announced. on European union, which sent the Deutsche mark lower.

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Foreign Exchange

Maastriebt treaty last year, some from 111.33. pean economic unity. That left the

1.4802 Swiss francs from 1.4650 francs. The dollar also gained to 111,475 yen from 111,300 yen and to

5.4785 French francs from 5.4393. The pound was the chief beneficiary of the mark's weakness, firming to 2.4927 DM from Monday's 2.4799 DM. Against the dollar, sterling was little changed at \$1.5354, after \$1.5360.

NEW YORK - The U.S. dollar Open Market Committee, which short-term interest rates. Results of

The dollar also found support from speculation that the Bundes-Daoish voters approved the bank Council, at Wednesday's meeting, may ease German interest

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Housing Starts Rose in April

WASHINGTON (Combined Dispatches) — U.S. housing starts advanced 6.7 percent in April, the biggest gain in eight months, as the building industry recovered from winter storms, the government said Tuesday. The start of construction of new homes in the United States climbed to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 1,213,000 units, enjoying large gains in the Northeast and the South. Construction had been sluggish all winter. "It's good news hoth for housing and the overall economy," said David Bernson, an economist for the Federal National Mortgage Association in Bernson, an economist for the Federal National Mortgage Association in Washington. "It's an indication at least some chunk, maybe a big chunk of the weakness in the first quarter was weather-related and not related to

weakening underlying fundamentals." Westinghouse Wins Marcos Case

NEWARK, New Jersey (Combined Dispatches) — A federal jury on Tuesday cleared Westinghouse Electric Co. of the Philippine government's claims that the company bribed the late Ferdinand E. Marcos to get a nuclear power-plant contract, a Westinghouse official said.

The Philippine government, in a 1988 lawsuit, accused Westinghouse of paying \$19.1 million in bribes to obtain a \$2.1 billion nuclear power-plant contract in the 1970s, when Mr. Marcos was president of the Philippines. An engineering firm, alleged to have paid \$2.1 million in bribes, also was cleared by the jury on Tuesday. Lawyers for the Philippines said they would appeal.

Hewlett-Packard Boosts Earnings PALO ALTO, California (Bloomberg) - Propelled by a surge in

demand for its computers and printers, Hewiett-Packard Co. reported Tuesday that net income for the financial second quarter had risen 74

For the quarter ended April 30, net income reached \$347 million, or \$1.38 a share, from \$323 million, or \$1.27 a share, in the year-earlier period. Revenue grew to a record \$5.1 billion from \$4.2 billion.

Semiconductor Market to Grow 20%:

SAN JOSE, California (UPI) — The worldwide semiconductor industry is expected to grow 20 percent this year to \$71.9 billion, due to the boom in personal computers, a trade group reported Tuesday.

The growth will be led by the North American market, which will see a 28.1 percent gain in 1993 shipments to \$23.6 billion, the Semiconductor Industry Association predicted. The European market will grow by 18.1 percent this year to \$13.5 billion and the Japanese market will increased 11.6 percent to \$21.6 billion.

Citicorp Foresees a Rise in Provisions

NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) — Citicorp said "soft and uncertain" economic conditions in the United States and Europe could keep its levels of bad consumer loans high and, consequently, could make further increases in credit reserves accessary, according to a regulatory filing.

As of Marris 31, Citicorp had \$3.9 billion of consumer loans delinquent to the consumer loans delinquent to the consumer loans of the consumer for 90 days or more, almost unchanged from year-end levels and down 5800 million from the first quarter of 1992, according to Citicorp's 10-Q report for the first quarter of 1993.

Recovery Seen for Hotel Industry

NEW YORK (NYT) — In a sharp, unexpected turnabout, more than half of U.S. hotels turned a profit in 1992 — the first time since 1989, according to a Coopers & Lybrand study released. Tuesday. The 51.5 percent of hotels that were profitable last year increased significantly from the 39.9 percent that made money in 1991.

In another indication that a slow but steady recovery is under way in the

hotel industry, occupancy in the first quarter of this year rose to 58.5 percent, the highest rate for any comparable quarter since 1990. "What this means," said Bjorn Hanson, hospitality industry consulting chairman of Coopers & Lybrand, "is that the hotel recovery is under way and there's a good chance that in 1995 room rates will increase greater than the rate of inflation."

rency in Europe. The dollar jumped to 1.6247 DM from 1.6140 on Monday, and to 1.6290 South Control on Monday, and to 1.6290 South Control on Monday.

NASDAQ Diary

MOSCOW — The ruble fell more than 5 percent against the dollar to a record low Toesday when it traded at 934 to the U.S. currency on the Moscow Interbank Currency Exchange, down from 886 at the end of last week."

"It's like walking in fog. Wc don't know what will happen in a week," he said. "The government must urgently make the painful decision to curb soft credits and increase interest rates to see who will scream and who will survive."

end of last week. Bankers immediately urged quick government ac-tion to tighten Russian credit policy.

The economy is awash with cash, inflation is rising

and the political struggle is continuing," said Oleg Baguirov, executive vice-president at Toko Bank, one The dollar's strong tone was aided by speculation that U.S. inflation of Russia's largest commercial banks.

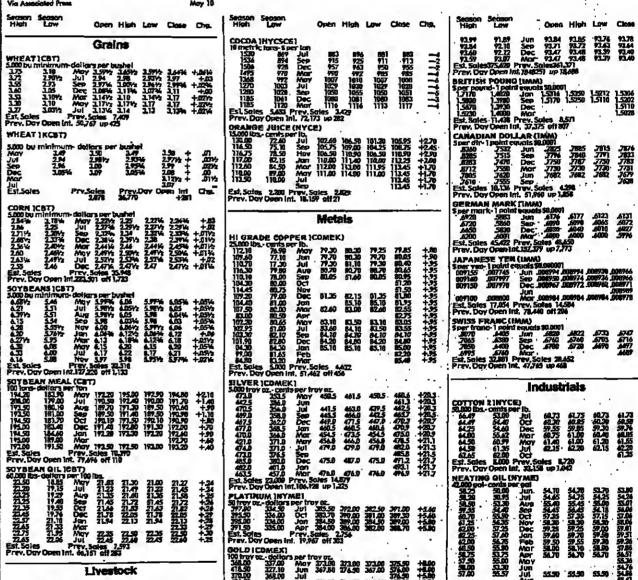
Bankers, predicting the exchange rate would plunge through the psychological barrier of 1,000 to the dollar by the end of May, forecast a further fall to more than

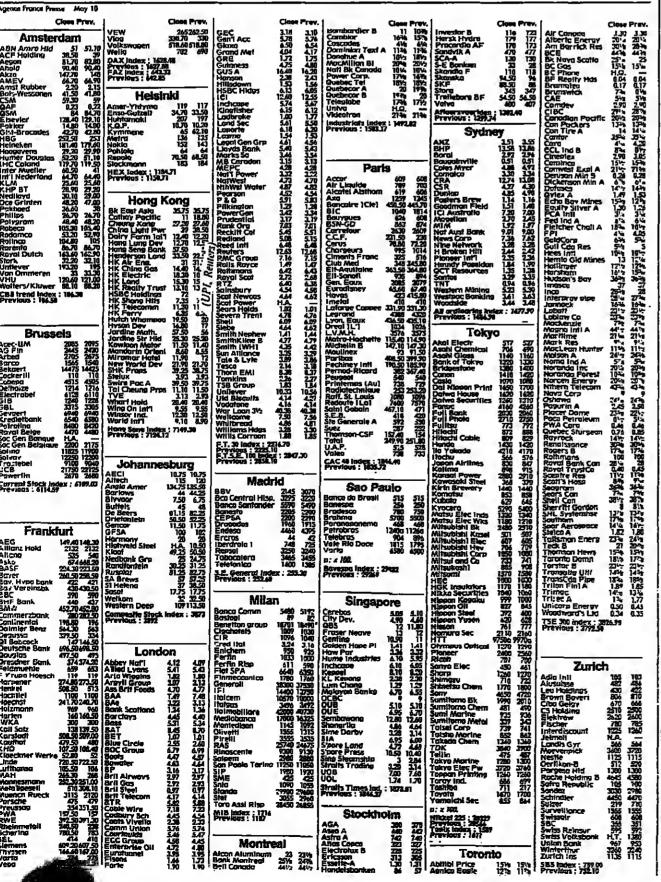
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Most bankers have given up hope of tight monetary policy because of a tug-of-war between the government and the central bank.

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Tax Move Aids Italy's Markets

ROME - The Italian government gave its financial markets a boost Tuesday when the Treasury said it would speed the return of withholding taxes on bonds and stocks held by foreign investors.

Italy imposes a 12.5 percent withholding tax on dividends and interest on government bonds, but some foreign investors can claim it back, depending on double-tax-ation treaties between their coun-

Marc Over, a trader at Pasfin Securities in Milan, said British investors could generally get back all not get any of it back since their at a higher rate than Italy. Japanese investors can get some back since their tax rates are slightly lower

Under the new system, depository banks will transmit reimbursement requests directly to the gov-gramment, which will automatically send refunds. The banks will be responsible for sending accurate in-

Italian bonds spurted on the news, with the 10-year government issue for June delivery shooting to 99.30 before retreating to 99.10, still up 0.41 on the day. That cut its implied yield to 10.88 percent from 10.99 percent.

In the stock market, the MIB index shot up to 1,216 from 1,187. Foreign investors have long com-plained about bureaucratic delays

"it's only good news for the mar-ket," said Jahan Jessop, an analyst at Midland Global Markets in London, "Right now, it can take months to get your money back.

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Renault's Profit Plummets Its Partner, Volvo, Suffers a Deeper Loss

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches

PARIS - Renault, hit like other European automakers by the market's deep slump, said Tuesday that its group pretax profit for the first quarter had plunged 90 percent from a year earlier to 240 million French francs (\$44 million).

Volvo AB, Renault's partner in a web of crossholdings, also reported a deterioration in its re-

The Swedish car and truck maker said in Gothenburg that its pretax loss had deepened in the first quarter to 331 million kronor (\$45.2 million), from a loss of 248 million kronor a year earlier. That figure excludes Volvo's shares of earnings from state-controlled Renault, which is considered to be a candidate for the government's program to sell its stakes in companies to the public.

Volvo's share of earnings in the Renault group fell to 236 million kronor, from 387 million. Volvo AB has a 20 percent stake in Renault and a 45 percent stake in Renault Véhicules Industriels, Renault's truck and bus division.

The loss from Renault's stakes in Volvo's car and truck divisions was 238 million francs, compared with a loss of 180 million a year earlier.

Renault owns 25 percent of Volvo Car Corp. and 45 percent of Volvo Truck Corp.
Renault's operating profit, which does not include its share of Volvo's results, fell to 458 million

francs, from 2.66 billion a year earber. The French antomaker's consolidated first-quarter sales fell 8.2 percent from a year earlier, to 43.93 billion francs. Fourth-quarter 1992 sales, the period when European car sales began to fall sharply, totaled 44.1 billion francs.

Renault said the outlook for the second quarter of 1993 was no better because the European market, where overall sales were down 17.8 percent during the first four months of the year, showed no sign of picking up.
It said a 3 percent rise in its passenger-car sales

outside Europe did little to compensate for the steep decline in the European car market. Re-nault's share of that market is 10.7 percent. Volvo said lower sales of Volvo cars and trucks were primarily due to a decline in European de-

mand, while volume increased in North America. Volvo's net loss was 280 million kronor, compared with a loss of 177 million a year earlier.
(Bloomberg, AFX)

Conti Expects Improvement

HANNOVER, Germany -The German tiremaker Continental AG said Tuesday that group first-quarter sales had dropped 10.3 percent and profit fell, but that it still expected to remain profitable for the full year.

The chief executive, Hubertus von Grünberg, said sales in the quarter totaled 2.2 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.37 billion). He did not give a profit figure.

The quarter's sales were hampered hy a downturn in the European car industry and a winter slump in demand for tires, the company said.

Still, Mr. von Grünberg said, "I expect 'black' figures for 1993. The return to profits of General The will support group results, which clearly are faltering in Europe." The U.S. unit, General Tire, is expected to break even

this year after heavy 1992 losses. Continental has already reported that it swong to a group net profit of 133 million DM in 1992, after a 1991 loss of 128.2 million DML At least one analyst disagreed

with the company's forecast of a profit for 1993.

Bob Barber, an analyst at James Capel in London, said: "I

have little confidence the boost from the U.S. side will be enough to compensate for the collapse in the European tire industry and to stop the company slipping

Noting that the U.S. operations made up only about 22 per-cent of sales in 1992, he forecast Continental would post a 20 million DM net loss in 1993.

Jürgen Piper, an analyst at Deutsche Bank's DB Research, said he expected Continental to remain in the black, with a net profit of 40 million DM. (Bloomberg, AFX)

Earnings Rise 25% At Marks & Spencer

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - Marks & Spencer. Britain's biggest clothing retailer. said Tuesday its profit had surged 25 percent in its latest financial year, to a record £737 million (\$1.14 billion).

lts annual profit topped that of J. Sainsbury PLC, making it Brit-ain's most profitable retailing con-

The chairman, Sir Richard Greenbury, said: These results have been achieved against a background of difficult trading conditions in the U.K. and North America, and a worsening economic climate in continental Europe. They give us much confidence for

Marks & Spencer's pretax profit for the year ended March 31 com-pared with £588.9 million the previous year. The latest result was at the high end of analysts' forecasts. The company was cautious about prospects for the British economic recovery and gloomy about the economic slowdown in continental Europe. "There appears to be, more recently, a slow, fragile recovery of the U.K. economy but

increasing recessionary conditions in continental Europe," it said. Despite the tough economic outlook, Marks & Spencer is stepping up expansion plans in Britain and overseas, the company said.

Operating profits from its over seas businesses, which include Brooks Brothers in the United States and Marks & Spencer stores in Europe and the Far East, rose 34.6 percent to £56 million on sales up 13.5 percent to £736.9 million.

The company termed its performance in Asia "outstanding," with operating profit soaring 61.5 per-

cent to £10.6 million and sales up 53.5 percent to £28.7 million. In Britain and Ireland, sales

London FTSE 100 Index growth improved as tight control of operating costs allowed the compaoy to reduce buying margins to below last year's levels, Sir Richard said. As a result, 25 percent of all selling prices in clothing were lower than in the previous year. Marks & Spencer said it would pay a second-half dividend of 5.9 pence per share, making a full-year dividend of 8.1 pence, up 14.1 percent from 7.1 pence a year earlier. Frankfürt DAX Earnings per share rose 33 percent, to 18 pence from 13.5 pence. Marks & Spencer said it had taken a one-time pretax charge of £7.8 million in the financial year on the sale of assets. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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Recession **Erodes Net** At Hanson

The Associated Press
LONDON — Hanson PLC, the British-American conglomerate with interests ranging from mining to tobacco, said Tuesday its half-year profit had fallen by 10 percent

amid the global reces The chairman, Lord Han-son, characterized oet earn-ings of £373 million (\$561 million) for the six months ended March 31 as "a very good result" in such a weak economy, They compared with a profit of £413 million during the

same period a year earlier. Hanson's earnings came on revenue of £4.79 billion in the latest six months, compared with revenue of £4,46 billion a year earlier.

Hanson said a strong per-

formance in its U.S. consumer-goods companies had offset problems at Peabody Holding Co., the largest coal producer in America, which suffered a one-month strike this winter and has been hurt by low coal

Lord Hanson cautioned that although there were hints of economic improvement in the United States and Britain, some sectors of industry remained in recession.

"Margins remain tight and it is unlikely that the present signs of recovery will bring significant additional contribution to profit this year," Lord

Very briefly:

• Ilva SpA, the Italian state-owned steelmaker, must improve its offer to cul capacity in order to win EC approval for \$4.8 billion in Italian government subsidies, the EC Commission has told the government.

 Axel Springer Verlag AG proposed a 1992 dividend payment of 12 Deutsche marks (\$7.40) a share, after omitting a payout for 1991. Allied-Lyons PLC's pretax profit rose 15 percent to £505 million (\$774.4 million) in the year to March 31, as a £101 million easing in restructuring and financing costs outweighed a £37 million drop in operating profit

from its food, beverages and retail businesses. · PolyGram NV, the recorded-music arm of Philips Electronics NV, set up a majority-owned joint venture with a Hungarian music-industry entrepreneur, Laszlo Hegedus; PolyGram Hungary will take over the operations of the Zebra record label, which was a division of the Budapest-based entertainment group, Multimedia, co-founded by Mr. Hegedus.

 VIAG AG said oet profit and operating profit fell in the first quarter from a year earlier, but it gave no figures; the German conglomerate's first-quarter sales were flat at 6.1 billion DM.

· Electrolux AB's first-quarter profit after financial items, hit by lower European demand, fell 20.2 percent to 202 million kronor (\$27.6 million); revenue rose 23 percent to 24 billion kronor, but most of that was due to

 Repsol SA's chairman, Oscar Fanjul, said the Spanish state may sell off more of its 41 percent stake in the company, which he valued at 384 billioo pesetas (\$3.13 billioo); but be predicted the state would retain the controlling stake, Fisons PLC said depressed markets in Continental Europe may limit

the company's progress in the first half as it seeks to come back from a 24

percent drop in pretax profit last year; Fisons also said it would sell its North American horticulture business to a consortium led by Machan Capital Corp. for \$60 million. Incentive AB of Sweden has agreed to sell its hydraulies group Hagglunds Denison Hydraulies, with annual revenue of \$100 million, to the newly created company Denison International Ltd., owned by inves-

tors from Sweden, Britain and the United States. Preussen Elektra AG, a unit of Veba AG, raised its stake in Sydkraft AB of Sweden to 12 percent of capital and 4 percent of voting stock, and has an option to further raise its holding to 18 percent of capital and 14 percent of voting stock.

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Balance sheet for 1992

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The reason for this early success, aside from our increased acquisitinn efforts, is primarily the systematic expansion of our network of full branches and city branches in the new states and in the Berlin/Brandenburg region, which we now, after unification, consider to be our core region. We currently have 35 branches in the eastern part of Berlin and in neighbouring Brandenburg - by the end of this year this figure should have grown in 47 - and five full branches in other cities of the new states.

Berliner Bank's 1992 business year was once again characterized by strong growth and a clear rise in earnings. Our business volume, i.e., the balance sheet total plus endorsement liabilities, went up by DM 3.7 billion, reaching DM 44.8 billion by year's end. This expansion is attributable mostly to our performance in the customer business

In spite of rapidly increasing costs, our partial operating profit rose by a considerable 70%, to DM 360.3 million. In the extraordinary accounts we took very strong precautions against risks in the loans business and particularly we once again increased our provisions for country risks. Our holdings in securities, through the price gains they achieved, contributed positively to our extraordinary results.

We show a balance sheet profit of DM 60.6 million for the 1992 business year. In view of the positive development of our current business, we propose to the Annual General Meeting that this amount be used to pay a dividend of 14%, up from 12%, i.e. DM 7- per sbare and DM 3.50 per new share. Interest payments made on our profit participation certificates have already been accounted for in the net interest earnings.

From our balance sheet: (in million OM)	1992	1991
Loans to customers	27,279	23.071
Customers' deposits and bearer bonds	24,998	21,586
Busioess volume	44,826	41,148

We are represented everywhere in Berlin and at major locations in the state of Brandenburg - a total of 111 city branches. We also have eleven full branches in the remaining states of the "old" and the "new" Federal Republic, as well as a branch

From our profit and loss account: (in million OM)	1992	1991
Interest earnings	839.8	552.1
Commission carnings	185.9	176.6
Partial operating profit	360.3	211.6
Profit per balance sheet	60.6	56.4

Our group accounts include Berliner Bank International S.A. in Luxembourg, Allgemeine Privatkundenbank AG in Hanover, Braunschweig-Hannoversche Hypothekenbank AG, BB-Leasing GmbH and BB-DATA Gesellschaft für Informations- und Kommunikationssysteme mbH.

At the close of 1992, our group business volume had reached DM 63.1 billion.

We would be pleased to let you have our Annual Report for 1992 on request.

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China's Inflation Gathers Momentum

BELIING -Big increases in the prices of fuel, construction materials and industrial raw materials signal that even higher inflation awaits Chinese consumers later this year, according to statistics released Tuesday.

The State Statistics Bureau said that the retail price index in major cities in April was 17 percent higher than in April 1992, the biggest month-on-month gain in five years.

But production costs were up even more sharply, the China Daily quoted the bureau as saying. Fuel was up 78 percent from April 1992, construction materials were up 40 percent and the prices of various ervices were up 41 percent, the paper said.

incomes also rose higher than planned, it said without giving any figures. But the fact that incomes for many urban residents have kept pace with inflation has so far prevented the widespread social discontent that accompanied the last period of high inflation in 1988.

Industrial output maintained the same strong pace set in the first three months of the year. Output by state-owned factories in April creasing production costs.

was up 25 percent from April 1992, while output by smaller, more effi-cient township-run factories was up 71.5 percent, the Economic Information Daily said.

Reports on the inflation figures in China's official media reflected a new willingness to acknowledge the problem after months of insisting that the economy was under control. The China Daily warned against "runaway investment in fixed assets" and quoted economists as saying that it was crucial for the government to tighten regulation over development.

From January through April, fixed-asset investment by state-owned companies totaled 97.2 bil-lion yuan (\$17 billion), up nearly 70 percent from the year-earlier period, the paper said.

Last week, the central bank raised interest rates on savings ac-counts and loans in hopes of encouraging savings and discourag-ing lending. But the government increased the cost of loans by less than I percentage point, fearful of increasing the burden on state-run enterprises that are already stumbling under the burden of fast-in-

Property Draws H.K. Funds

HONG KONG — Companies listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange have invested in at least 801 Chinese projects valued at 521 billion Hong Kong dollars (\$66.8 billion), according to a report Tuesday by Crédit Lyounais Securities.

Real estate has been a favorite investment. With 396 different projects it is the largest sector in terms of the number of transactions. It places second to infrastructure projects in terms of cost, the report said.

Infrastructure is the most likely area to see mammoth expansion, the report said, as it is critical to the success of investment in China as a whole. Some 58 projects involving Hong Kong investors are in the works

Hopewell Holdings leads the pack in terms of total cost of its projects, running 97.7 billion dollars worth.

Honda Sees No End to Its Troubles

TOKYO — The strong yen shriveled Honda Motor Co.'s profit last business year and more trouble is expected this year, company officials said

on Tuesday. The cannaker's group pretax profit in the year ended March 31 fell 32 percent to 88.56 billion yen (\$797 million), while net profit fell 41 percent to 38.31 billion yen.

"Although we succeeded in reducing production and ex-penses, it was not enough to offset the adverse effects of the high yen and the decline in revenues," a Honda official said.

The yen's gains over the U.S. dollar and other currencies hacked about 70 billion yen from profits. Weak demand both in Japan and overseas also whittled sales, which fell 6 per-cent to 4.12 trillion yea. This year is not likely to be

any easier, with group net prof-it forecast at 23 billion yen. The yen's movement was best of years. The dollar averaged about 125 yen in 1992-93, against 133 yen the previous

year. As a rule of thumb, each one-yen move slices about 8 billion yen from Honda's group sales and profit, company officials said. The dollar has already

plumbed deeper this business year, finishing at 111.28 yen in Tokyo on Tuesday. Honda ex-pects the currency to average around 115 yen in 1993-94. Even that might be written off as an accounting problem if Honda were selling more cars, but sales fell 8.6 percent.

Big 4 Expect a Rebound

Japan Brokers Counting on an Active Market

a robust rebound to profit in the

Analysts are less certain, citing gishness in volume as the recent rally tapers off. Volume is critical for Japanese brokerages because nearly half their revenues come from stock commissions. Even draconian cost-cutting measures will not save

brokerages from low volume. "There's only so much you can do to cut costs," said Alicia Ogawa, a financial analyst at Salomon Brothers Asia. "If nobody is coming through the door, it doesn't

make any difference."
On Tuesday, Japan's 20 brokerages on the Tokyo Stock Exchange's first section posted an ag-gregate pretax loss of 317 billion yen (\$2.85 billion) for the year ended March 31, 1993. That was a substantial deterioration from a

loss of 192 billion yen in 1991-92, TOKYO - Bolstered by a year and it represented one of the most of cost-cutting and a surge in stock dismal performances in the history trading volume since early March, of Japan's stockbroking industry.

Japan's brokerages are forecasting Only three houses — Nomma Only three houses — Nomma Securities Co., Nikko Securities Co. and Kosei Securities Co. —

showed a pretax profit.

Still, investors are looking forward to a recovery in the industry this year. The 18 brokerages that gave forecasts for the current financial year forecast an aggregate pretax profit of 303 billion year, boosted by a 36 percent surge in revenues. A rise in equity trading volume is the chief cause for hope among brokerages for the current year. Volume on the Tokyo Stock Exchange's first section fell 29 percent to an average of 242 billion yen during the 1992-

aged 596 billion yen a day. The surge in volume came as the vernment released details of a

93 business year, Since the new year began on April 1, volume has aver-

billion yen a day in the current year. But Ms. Ogawa and David Atkin-son, vice president of investment: research at Goldman Sachs Japan, say that aside from the Big Four, brokerages will need higher volume than that to keep them in the black without further cost-cutting.

The worst news for investors in brokerage stocks about the year just ended is not so much the losses, which were expected, but the decisions to cut dividends. None of the brokerages is offering a dividend equal to last year's.

Even the three profitable firms barely squeezed by. Nomura, Ja-pan's largest brokerage, saw pretax profit fall 94.6 percent to 2.38 billion

Nikko, the third largest, suffered a 19.4 percent decline in pretax profit to 2.53 billion yen.

Daiwa had a pretax loss of 7.27 13.2 trillion yen economic package.

The brokerage forecasts are based 37.36 billion yen pretax loss.

Very briefly:

Mitsubishi Corp. said it expected to invest a total of 2 billion yen (\$180 million) in a new subsidiary, Europe Precision Moulding BV, near Helmond, the Netherlands.

Hengkong & Shanghai Banking Corp. is studying the possibility of transferring some of its cherical work to China to offset the rapidly increasing costs of doing business in Hong Kong, its chairman said.

 Hua Eng Wire & Cable Co. and Walsin Lihwa Corp., both of Taiwan, are considering an investment of 10 billion Taiwan dollars (\$386 million) in a Chinese stainless-steel factory, an official involved in negotiations said. Victor Co. of Japan announced a consolidated pretax loss of 25.5 billion yen for the year to March 31, compared with a loss of 7 billion yen a year

Australia & New Zealand Banking Group said it had sold its 7 percent stake in the smaller regional Challenge Bank for 16.5 million Australian dollars (\$11.5 million) to the investment group Innerladen Ltd.

 World Semiconductor Trade Statistics, based in California, said the world semiconductor market was expected to grow 20.2 percent this year. Hong Kong's Hang Seng Index rose 25.18 points to close at 7,149.30, a record high, on news that Chinese and British officials would meet later in the week to discuss Hong Kong.

Qantas Calls U.S. Move Illegal

SYDNEY — The chief executive of Qantas Airways said Tuesday that

U.S. threats to cut Qantas services were "totally unwarranted, destructive" moves that constituted illegal actions against an innocent party.

The executive, John Ward, urged the Australian government to consider using Australian-based U.S. communications bases as a bargaining chip in the dispote, although Canberra has refused to consider such a move.

The U.S. Transportation Department last week threatened to cut Qantas

services from Sydney to Los Angeles in response to action by Canberra to restrict the services of Northwest Airlines into Australia. The Australian

side accuses Northwest of breaking passenger quotas on its New York-

Osaka-Sydney route by picking up too many passengers in Osaka.

Casio's Earnings Decline Sharply plunged 39.6 percent from a year earlier to 11.6 billion

TOKYO — Japan's leading digital watchmaker, Casio Computer Co., said Tuesday its consolidated pretax earnings had tumbled 44.8 percent to 12.3 billion yen (\$106 million) in the year ended March 31. The group profit, well below an earlier forecast of 18.5 billion yen, was posted on sales of 432 billion yen, up 12.6 percent from the year before.

Casio, which relies on overseas sales for almost twothirds of its revenue, said the operating environment was one of the worst ever experienced by the company, largely because of the economic slowdowns in Europe and the United States.

yen while sales edged up 0.3 percent to 326 billion yen.

Casio forecast a modest improvement in its consolidated performance in the current year, with group earnings rising to 14.5 billion yen on sales of 450 billion yen.

Casio, which rivals Sharp Corp. as Japan's top maker of desktop electronic calculators, said worldwide calculator sales grew 3.8 percent to 142 billion yen last year while digital-watch sales climbed 5.7 percent to 93 billion yen. Sales of musical instruments dropped 7.6 percent to

52 billion yen but sales of computers and other prod-The benefits of pump-priming measures in Japan were offset by violent fluctuations in European exchange rates and a stronger yen, the company said.

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Foster's Pushing Into China's Huge Beer Market

MELBOURNE — Foster's Brewing Group Ltd. is set to sell beer in China, which is expected to become the world's secondbiggest beer market within four years. The move represents a key expansion step

for Foster's, the fourth-largest hrewer worldwide, in the face of saturated beer markets in the United States, Europe and Australia. China's beer consumption has been growing at an average rate of 18 percent a year. The market is soon expected to be second in

size only to the United States. Poster's said it had signed an agreement in Shanghai to establish a joint venture between the Huaguang Brewery, established in Shanghai in 1935, and Foster's Carlton & United Breweries subsidiary. Foster's said it expected to brew as much beer in China as in Australia within five years.

"This historic step into China is a critical strategic move for the long-term growth of Foster's Brewing Group," said Ted Kunkel, Foster's chief executive. "China has outstanding potential, and I expect it to become our fourth brewing arm, joining CUB in Australasia, Courage Ltd. in England and

Molson Breweries in North America." Foster's will provide 60 percent of the capital of the initial 30 million Australian dollars (\$21 million) investment, which will rise to 120 million dollars in five years' time.

eken, Becks, San Miguel, Santory, BSN and Späten Brewers in establishing joint ventures

Foster's joins international brewers Hein-

guess China is the last frontier for interna-tional beer companies."

brewery on a 10 hectare (24.7 acre) site in Shanghai's Pudong development zone. Production in Shanghai is expected to ex-

ceed 400 million liters (104 million gallons), roughly equivalent to Carlton & United's Kent brewery in Sydney.

Carlton & United.

He added, "One advantage of marketing

The Shanghai Foster's Brewery will produce both draught and packaged beer, under Foster's said the Shanghai project in- both a Chinese national brand, a Shanghai volved expanding and modernizing the exist-ing brewery and development of a large new premium brand.

Foster's said it was planning more joint ventures in other parts of China.

Mr. Rolph said Foster's move into China was probably a good one, though it may take years for the benefits to accrue.

"We see our future growth in Asia, and the greatest potential for that growth is in Chi-bridge before you know whether it's a good idea," he said.

Foster's footholds in Europe, Australia and North America are in saturated markets, in China.

"Any company worth its weight will have something to do with Asia," said Bruce Rolph, an analyst at Salomon Brothers. "I

N.Z. Telecom Raises Payout Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispatches

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — Telecom Corp. of New Zealand on Tuesday raised its final dividend despite a fall in profit for the year to March as the result of a previously annonnced charge to cover the cost of layoffs.

The final dividend was increased to 8.25 New Zealand cents a share from 6.5 cents the previous year. The increase will principally benefit the U.S. telephone companies Ameritech, which owns 342 percent of Telecom, and Bell Atlantic, which owns 29.6 percent.

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(Continued from first finance page) cable-system operator in the Unit-ed States; and Southwestern Bell, which owns 75 percent of a joint venture in Britain formed with Cox Cable of the United States.

() Companies providing telephone

and cable over the same systems offer telephone rates that the companies say are typically 15 percent below those of British Telecom, the dominant force in the market. The cost advantage, industry executives say, comes from having oew fiber-optie networks and from

being able to spread the costs of the network across the cable business as well as the telephone service. (Faced with increased competition, British Telecom bas been fighting back by offering lower rates at certain times and by refusing to allow customers who switch phone companies to keep the same number.) The gradual merging of the in-dustries also holds out the promise

far greater access for consumers to entertainment and information, both delivered over high-capacity fiber-optic cable to televisions. home computers and telephones. and eventually to machines that combine the functions of all three. So far, the American telephone companies and their partners in Britain are offering only standard telephone and cable-television ser-

vice. But they are moving rapidly

toward the day when customers

will be able, for example, to call into a data base of movies over the telephone and order one to be shown on their television at whatever time they wish. "It's not going to be just basic voice and cable and more of the jume," said Eugene Connell, the Chief executive of Nynex Cablecomms, the company's operation in Britain. "You will see an explosion of diversity in programming and an

opportunity for accessing data

bases, libraries, banking, you name

The combination of the industries looks promising from the perspective of the companies operating here as well.

Offering both cable and telephone services can generate two streams of revenue from the investment in a single network. So, the anies can recover their costs in half the time it would take with cable alone, typically five years in-stead of 10, said Richard Woollam, director general of the Cable Telerision Association of Britain.

The American telephone companies, which for the most part remain highly regulated near-monopoly providers of local service in their home markets, say they need experience in competing for phone customers to prepare for the day when telephone, cable and other

companies vie for customers in the United States in what is expected to be a free-for-all cutting across

industry lines and geographic "This is obviously a major training ground for American personsaid Mr. Connell, who formerly headed sales and marketing for New York Telephone. "When the U.S. gets its cable-telephony issues resolved, we will have a considerable cadre of employees com-petent in running a dual system such as we have here."

companies have been conducting small-scale experiments in collaboration in the United States for the last several years. New York Telephone is carrying the signal for an upstart cable service, Liberty Cable, in Manhattan. AT&T, BellSouth and Viacom, the parent of MTV and Nickelodeon, are reportedly planning a ven-ture to test the delivery of enter-

Cable, entertainment and phone

February, Southwestero Bell bought two cable systems in the Washington area. But so far, nothing undertaken in the United States has matched the scale of the operations in Britain. Nynex alone expects to spend more than \$2.6 billion winning cable

Cable relevision came late to Britain, where direct satellite services have been the primary alternative to traditional broadcast television. Only 2.1 percent of homes currently subscribe to cable, although that figure is expected to

CABLE: A Laboratory in Britain BA: Airline's Earnings, Stock Issue Are Well-Received (Continued from first finance page) stands below the industry average its targeted cost cuts of £150 mil-

an Airlines that will, if it goes ahead, create a European competi-tor of almost precisely equal size to British Airways. They point out however, that the new group would have to devote much time and energy into putting its own house in order, ooting that three of those

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Even against KLM, though, BA enjoys a clear lead. The key to BA's whole success has been its Schroder Securities. On Tuesday,

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lioo for last year, and that it intends to eliminate another £150 million in costs this year.

Mr. Ayling also strongly deability to take out costs," said Mat-thew Stainer, an analyst with He contrasted the USAir and Qantas stakes with the marketing agreements favored by other carriers as a

means to achieve global reach. Marketing agreements, he said, "have a fragility we do not expect to see with the cement of our investments in hard cash." BA's investments also give it a degree of control, an advantage Fed. Department Stores was singularly lacking when British Airways itself several years ago entered a now defunct market-

> USAir, its directors will remain a distinct minority. One subject that BA officials were not eager to address on Tues-day was their battle with Virgin Atlantic Airways. Last January BA admitted it had mounted a dirty tricks campaign against Virgin and agreed to pay its smaller competi-tor £610,000 in reparations. After ment broke down however, Virgin has taken the matter back to court.

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lines. Still, some experts observe

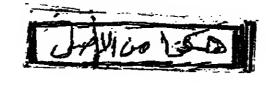
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Giants Beat Astros in 10, 4 Homers Hit

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It had been billed as the opening game of a showdown series, and the marquee players of the San Francisco Giants and Houston Astros didn't disappoint their followers.

Ken Cammit and Jeff Bagwell homered, and

Eric Anthony hit a two-run single for the Astros, who entered Candlestick Park with a three-game winning streak that had brought them to within one game of the division-leading

Giants by one game.
But Matt Williams and Barry Bonds countered with home runs for San Francisco, which avoided a first-place tie Monday when Robby Thompson's 10th-inning sacrifice fly gave them

"Their big guns hit a couple of rockets, and then our big guns got going," said the Giants'

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manager, Dusty Baker, whose new-look batting order produced the club's sixth victory in seven

New leadoff hitter Darren Lewis hit a two-New leadoff hitter Darren Lewis hit a two-run triple and singled in the winning rally, and Thompson, his replacement in the No. 2 slot, doubled and hit the game-winning fly. Williams's league-leading 13th homer helped the Giants to a 5-2 lead after four innings, but two uncarned runs in the fifth and Bagwell's

three-run bomer in the seventh gave Houston a

Bagwell's homer, his eighth, came on an 0-2 slider from right-hander Mike Jackson and snapped the reliever's 14-game scoreless streak.
Bonds brought the Giants back in the bottom of the seventh with a two-out, two-run homes that gave him the National League lead with 35

"Bonds is a tough out," Caminiti said. "Some people wake up in the morning and flat-out hit. We're going to have to learn how to patch to him or else walk him four times."

The homer was Bonds's 10th of the season, He also had two singles and a walk and is now

batting .430 with an .812 slugging percentage.
"You don't send messages in May," Bonds
replied when asked whether the victory had been important. "When you've been there," he said, referring to the league-championship playoffs, "three times in October, you don't get

Phillies 10, Martins 3: John Kruk had a career-high five hits, and three Philadelphia pitchers stranded 17 runners to win in Florida as the Marlins wasted nine hits and 11 walks. Kruk had a double and two infield hits among his four singles, two RBIs and three runs scored in six at-bats, raising his average to .382.

Braves 5. Expos 2: Sid Bream doubled in two runs off Dennis Martinez, and Steve Avery, 0-4 ifetime against Montreal, finally beat the visiting Expos and ended their four-game winning streak. Atlanta has won eight of its last 10 games.

Dodgers 5, Reds 4: Jeff Reardon blew a three-run lead in the ninth, and Cory Snyder hit a two-out RBI single in the 10th in Los Angeles to end Cincinnati's winning streak at seven.

Los Angeles tied in the ninth on an RBI single by Dave Anderson, an error by right fielder Reggie Sanders and Brett Butler's sacri-

Padres 4, Rockies 0: Andy Benes pitched a three-hitter against visiting Colorado and started the winning rally in the sixth with a double as San Diego extended the expansion Rockies' ak to seven g

All six of Benes's victories have followed San Diego losses. Butch Henry gave the Rockies a well-pitched game, but dropped to (2-4). Pirates 9, Mets 4: Andy Van Slyke, who had

three hits, doubled in two runs and stole two bases, and Orlando Merced singled in one run and doubled in two as Pittsburgh won in New The last-place Mets have lost four in a row, 7

of 8 and 17 of 21.



Billy Hatcher was in step with the Blue Jays' Roberto Alomar, but Roger Clemens was out of sync as the Red Sox lost, 9-3.

Blowers's 2d Grand Slam Ties Record

All of a sudden, Mike Blowers seems

invincible with the bases loaded. Blowers, who hit his first major league grand-slam home run on Sunday, hit another Monday night to tie a major league record as the Seattle Mariners beat the Texas Rangers, 16-9.

"I was walking up there and said, 'Gosh, wouldn't it be nice to do it two nights in a row?" Blowers said. "Actually I was trying to protect the plate. I hit it well and I was

to protect the plate. I hit it well and I was hoping it would get over."

Blowers has gotten 21 starts at third base because Edgar Martinez, the defending American League batting champion, pulled his left hamstring in an exhibition game and went on the disabled list April 4. He was activated before Monday night's game. "I'm enjoying my time right now, getting in the game," Blowers said, who set career highs with four hits and five runs batted in just 24 hours after hitting a grand slam off Oakland's Bobby Witt. This time he homered off Craig Lefferts.

"But Edgar is our third baseman," Blow-

The Mariners got a club-record 23 hits and tied the team mark for runs scored, while Rich Amaral tied the Mariners' record for hits by going 5 for 5 and Jay Buhner homered twice, giving him three in

two games, and drove in four runs. Dwayne Henry, making his first start after 225 relief appearances, was pounded

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for six runs and nine hits in 41/2 innings. The Rangers' manager, Kevin Kennedy, met with his players for 20 minutes after the game before opening the clubhouse doors.

"The meeting wasn't to kick them when they're down," Kennedy said. "Our mental approach has got to be better. Tonight there were a half a dozen situations where we weren't playing thinking baseball."

Blue Jays 9, Red Sox 3: Toronto batted around against Roger Clemens in a five-run sixth and beat him in Boston for the first time in five seasons.

Clemens, who pitched with an extra day ers said. "Hopefully, my showing will be strong enough that they'll have faith in me and I'll get some at-bats later in the year." of rest after throwing 143 pitches in shutsting out Baltimore, was tagged for six runs and eight hits in 5½ innings. It was the first loss in six games.

since last Sept. 17. He had won his previous six home starts against Toronto.

Angels 11, White Sox 4: Rene Gonzales

and Gary DiSarcina each singled home two runs in a four-run fifth for visiting Califor-nia, while Frank Thomas, Robin Ventura and George Bell homered for Chicago, which has hit 23 homers in its last nine

Yankees 11, Twins 5: Jimmy Key held an opponent under three runs for the seventh time in nine starts, and New York got a season-high 18 hits in Minnesota.

Key scattered eight hits in seven innings, struck out eight and walked none. The Yankees got 11 hits off Kevin Tapani, who entered with a 6-1 record against them but lasted just 41/2 innings.

Indians 2, Orioles 0: Cleveland's Jose Mesa pitched three-hit ball and struck out seven in eight innings against his former teammates in Baltimore.

Ben McDonald pitched 8½ innings and gave up only four hits after Albert Belle's

two-run homer in the first, but lost his third straight as the Orioles fell into last place in the American League East with their fifth

Probing the Unknown

L ONDON — The further we go in sport, the more we find performance has as much to do with mind

The balance, the limit, is unknown to man. All the dollars on earth, all the probings of psychologists, cannot make human beings react predictably under

Long may that continue. Soccer is a team game played by individuals. Within it, Roland Nilsson attempts to defy convention by playing for Sweden against Austria on Wednesday and for Sheffield Wednesday in England's FA Cup final replay at Wembley on Thursday.

Sheffield is gambling \$12,000 on an executive jet to whisk him from Gothenburg to London.

"Nilsson is a fit man," says Sheffield's team manag-er, Trevor Francis, "We will get him back to England as quickly as we

can to test his SX Rob match fitness." Hughes Remarkable. Moments earlier,

Francis, in company with experts from far and wide, blamed the dire boredom of last Saturday's 1-1 Cup final on the "inhuman" demands made on players. Both Sheffield and Arsenal had played five matches in 11 days before the final. Both claim their players are worn out by the relentless toll of English soccer's

So who does Nilsson think he is, Superman? Clark Kent, more like. The Swedish fullback is one of

His forte is dependability. He rarely scores, he rarely makes costly errors. He gives Sheffield Wednes-day a degree of sophisticated technique not many English backs possess, but he uses it stealthily. Perhaps that is why he fancies two games in two

days? If the sport is mental as well as physical, Nilsson seems to burn up less energy both ways.

He finished unquestionably among the stronger runners in Saturday's final. And he had the breath,

immediately after the last whistle, to say, "I'm fully prepared to play two games in two days." Quietly and unemotionally, but with enough determination, he added: "There is no way I'm going to put my international career in jeopardy by refusing to play for Sweden."

So unless Sweden's manager, decided Nilsson's mind is not fully on a World Cup qualifier, it will be

up to Nilsson and Francis to assess how much is left in him for the next day's Cup replay. Francis, at 39 a decade older than Nilsson, has not

yet given up his own license to play. And having performed 52 times for England, the manager knows precisely what his fullback is taking on.

I T MAY COME DOWN to an open mind, to Francis trusting instinct and trusting Nilsson's

self-belief. Compounding that, the manager has to decide whether to put faith in others, in, for example, his veteran captain Viv Anderson, who limped off with knee cartilage damage on Saturday but now claims he

is fit for the replay,
Someone, player or manager, has to play God.
Adrenaline and hope of a medal that might be a lifetime's dream can blur the judgment and make the mind overestimate the body's stamina or forget the frailty of flesh.

But sometimes players withdraw before their time.

Zico, the marvelous Brazilian, did so when he quit

soccer for politics four years ago.

When that didn't work out, when the Japanese dangled sufficient yen under his nose, Zico laced up his shoes again and, at 40, he transcended the opening

of Japan's new J-League by scoring a stunning hat-trick for Kashima Antlers last Saturday.

Of course his torso and his thighs are weightier now. Of course he moves less swiftly than the dashing young Japanese. But his brain is quicker, his eye is sharper, and his can do this are the same and his can do the sa

and his can do things they may never master. Zico risks nothing more than his reputation. And while that can end in sadness, it is not like a heavyweight boxer coming back to absorb the dehumaniz-ing blows that ruin his remaining days.

Besides, who are we to tell a competitor he must not earn and must not enjoy? I repeat that our knowledge is scant concerning mind, body and soul.

We marvel at the spirit which, all those decades ago, told an unknown Czechoslovak, Emil Zatopek, to ruz and run until the supposed stars of the track submitted to him. We will always be puzzled why a peerless pole vaniter, Sergei Bubka, failed to clear even his training heights at the last Olympics.

And sometimes even administrators grow confused. All season long, UEFA has focused its attention on the Champions' League to the detriment of the Cup Winners' Cup and the UEFA Cup.

Yet last week, Parma went into raptures at winning the Cup Winners' trophy. Its players bemused Royal Antwerp, its fans have the pride of winning a European title for the first time, its benefactors have value for

THIS WEDNESDAY, Juventus will probably an sweep of Europe's silverware. It is up by 3-1 after the match in Dortmund, thanks to two more goals, from the resurgent Roberto Baggio.

Though you can never say a German is beaten, Borussia Dortmund cries all the way to the bank. It has reaped an astonishing \$20 million from this halfforgotten UEFA tournament, with attendance money boosted by TV income, advertizing and sponsorship born of being the one German team to last this far in Europe this term.

Twenty million buys plenty. Dortmund has been able to sign Matthias Sammer from Inter Milan and to pay wages of \$9.5 million, on a par with any other team in Germany, which means Borussia no longer fears that Bayern Munich will buy up the players it

Nevertheless, Dortmund took both eyes off the Bundesliga championship last weekend. Its players, doubtless with half a mind on the European tournament, fell by 4-0 at home, and virtually surrendered

hope of becoming this spring's German champion.

When we talk of hope, and of the spirit of men, it is time to think once again of Zambia. This coming give weekend, the nation that lost 18 World Cup players in a plane crash last month, will start anew. With the European-based players who were not on

the plane, and with a new coach, Fred Mwila, Zambia will play two friendly matches in Malawi. It intends to get back on the World Cup trail as quickly as possible. The heart must be heavy, but the spirit takes up the challenge. And we think Roland Nilsson is taking on

Rob Hughes is on the stuff of The Times.

Lazio Adamant: No Gascoigne for U.S. Matches

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches ROME - The Italian soccer club Lazio reiterated Tuesday that it will not release midfielder Paul Gascoigne to play for England in a

series of friendly matches in the

United States next month, although U.S. organizers had urged FIFA to Convince Lazio to change its mind.

Our position is that he must stay with us," said Lazio's spokesman, Mario Pennacchia. "Once the

league season is over we plan one or two games in Canada.
"If these games were to fall through, then it could be that he

can join the England team."

Gascoigne will be released to play in England's vital World Cup

to play in the three matches of the U.S. Cup '93.

England is to play the United The Rome daily Corriere dello

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The English Premier League

States on June 9 in Foxboro, Massachusetts, Brazil on June 13 in Washington, D.C., and Germany on June 19 in Pontiac, Michigan. Lazio, bidding to secure a UEFA Cup berth, wants Gascoigne back

to play in its last league match of the season, at Juventus on June 6. Sunil Gulati, vice president-international of World Cup USA 1994 and chairman of U.S. Cup '93, said Monday that "we are working with FIFA and the Italian Federation to try to seek the services of Mr. Gas-coigne with the English national team for part of the tournament."

qualifying matches in Poland on rin a row, 7
(AP, UPI)

qualifying matches in Poland on Earlier, at Lazio's training camp in Rome, thieves reportedly broke into the locker room and stole the

him such beadlines in the British press as "The Masked Marvel."

· A further problem for Diego the Argentine star has been ordered to appear in court Wednesday in Seville, Spain, on a charge of reckless driving, court sources said Tuesday.

He was detained briefly Thursday after police stopped him for allegedly driving at high speed through the Andalusian capital and ignoring traffic lights. Maradona was late for a training session with

The Rome daily Corriere dello Sport said the theft occurred Sunday night, after Gascoigne's inspired play in Lazio's 5-0 rout of spired play in Lazio's 5-0 rout of any video screens at its Highbury field in worth London next season. field in north London next season. Club officials said they had agreed to buy the video screens, but

were waiting to hear whether they will be allowed to show action replays during matches.
We have already spoken with the FA and will be talking to them

again," said the managing director, Ken Friar. Correction: A report on the English soccer club Everton last Thursday was misattributed to The

Associated Press. Team officials

have said the club is not for sale.



Roberto Baggio was the center of attention at practice for Wednesday's UEFA Cup match.

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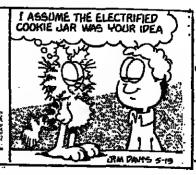


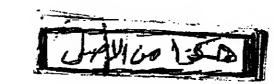


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SPORTS BASK

Open Loses Both Seles And Agassi

No. 1 Will Miss Wimbledon, Too

The Associated Press PARIS -- Monica Seles, recovering from the stabbing by a specta-tor last month in Hamburg will not play in either the French Open or Wimbledon, organizers of the Grand Slam events said Tuesday.

The Open, which starts Monday, also lost its losing finalist from 1990 and 1991, the No. 8 seed Andre Agassi. He has tendinitis in his right wrist, and pulled out of two recent tournaments because of it. Open officials were informed of Seles's withdrawal by her agent,

Stephanic Tolleson of International Management Group. "She won't play in the French or at Wimhledon," Tolleson said in New York, "That's all we're saying

right now." Seles, 19, whose left shoulder was injured in the April 30 attack, is recuperating at the Steadman-l'Hawkins Clinic in Vail, Colorado. Wimbledoo runs from June 21-

This is the second time in three years Seles has withdrawn from Wimbledon, In 1991 she pulled out only a few days before the start and later complained she bad been suffering from shin splints.

Steffi Graf will replace Seles as the top seed in the French Open.

Amos Mansdorf of Israel and Leonardo Lavalle of Mexico also withdrew Tuesday.

The three openings in the men's field will be filled by Ronald Agenor of Haiti, Bryan Sheltoo of the United States and Diego Pérez

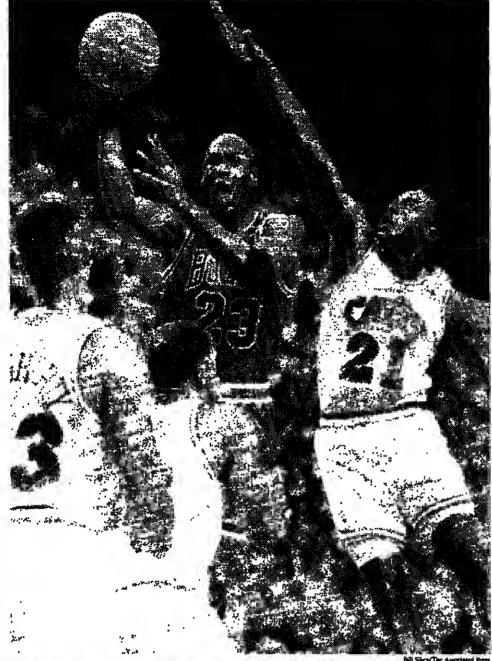
of Uruguay. Clare Wood of Britain will take Seles's place in Friday's draw.
The U.S. team survived a shaky start by top-ranked Pete Sampras to shut out Switzerland, 3-0, Tuesday in the World Team Cup in Düsseldorf, while Spain beat Russia, 2-1, putting the defending champions atop the Blue Group standings with the United States.

Sampras staved off two match points in the second set tiebreaker against Marc Rosset before beating the Swiss Olympic champion, 2-6,

Michael Chang beat Jacob Hla-sek, 6-2, 6-3, in the other singles, while the doubles team of Patrick McEnroe and Richey Reneberg slipped past Hlasek and Rosset, 6-4, 6-3.

Spain's Sergei Bruguera won his seventh straight match in singles at the tournament against Alexander Volkov, 6-2, 6-2.

Then Carlos Costa defeated Andrei Chesnokov, 6-4, 6-2, before the Russian doubles team of Volkov and Andrei Olhovskiy edged Costa and Tomas Carbonell, 2-6, 6-2, 4-6.



Michael Jordan, driving by Gerald Wilkins, beat him and the Cavaliers with a humper at the buzzer.

Lewis Having Surgery on Tendon

LONDON - Lennox Lewis, the WBC world heavyweight champion, announced Tuesday that he is to have surgery on his right hand this weekend in New York and will take a complete rest from boxing for six weeks.

The operation will be performed by an American specialist in boxing injuries, will take 45 min-utes and, because it will be under local anesthetic, will not require Lewis to be knocked out for the first time in his life.

The specialist said I mustn't hit with it for another two or three weeks after that," said Lewis, the first British world heavyweight champion this century. "But if a Frank Bruno fight came up around September I should be ready.

Lewis aggravated a tendoo injury during his successful first defense against Tony Tucker of the United States in Las Vegas oo May 8. But the likelihood of an all-British showdown

with Bruno appeared to be receding.

Lewis's manager, Frank Maloney, and the

American promoter Dan Duva are discussing a defense against the former undisputed world champion, Evander Holyfield, in October,

"Bruno against Lennox is a great fight for Britain, but we don't really need Bruno," Maloney said. "Lennox could earn far more money fighting in America. The American television cash will be so much greater, probably twice as much."

Maloney has also received an offer of \$12 million from Rock Newman, the manager of WBA and IBF champion Riddick Bowe, which was issued through Duva's Main Event organization in

But Maloney said be is only interested in talking on a first-hand basis for a proposed Nov. 5 fight in Las Vegas.

Doing business through Main Event would enti-tle it to take \$5.5 million of the purse, leaving Lewis with \$6.5 million, far below what he would earn against his 1988 Olympic rival in Scoul if they dealt directly.

Jordan Shot at Buzzer Ousts Cavs

Bulls, With 103-101 Victory, Gain the Conference Final

the game, Michael Jordan was for this purpose, asked if the Cleveland Cavaliers As Jordan wor had a chance.

"Slim," he said. over the Cavaliers with an 18-foot (5.5-meter) fallaway jump shot at the buzzer Monday night.

With a sweep of their best-of-then wheeled and shot a fadeaway

nal, and their ninth consecutive playoff victory dating from last year's National Basketball Association finals, the Bulls marched on to the conference finals and will now play the winner of the New York Knicks-Charlotte Hornets series. It was to resume Tuesday night in New York, with the Knicks holding a 3-1 lead. "You dream about a challenge

like this," Jordan said. "I had very similar thoughts, positive thoughts," he added, refer-ring to the 16-footer he made over Craig Ehlo to beat Cleveland, 101-100, at the buzzer in 1989 to elimi-

RICHFIELD, Ohio - Before Cavaliers had acquired expressly

As Jordan worked on the right wing. Wilkins slapped the ball "Slim," he said.

Jordan proved to he an excellent it. His back to Wilkins, he worked prognosticator as well as, as usual, in toward the foul line, glanced up a sterling clutch player, giving the at the clock at the far end of the Chicago Bulls a 103-101 victory court — it showed 3.5 seconds —

seven Eastern Conference semifi- over Wilkins's outstretched hand. The ball nestled into the net as sellout crowd of 20,273.
"It felt good when it left my hands," Jordan said. "Not many

times do you get a chance to dupli-cate something. Just being able to be there when the team needs you, to come through, means a lot to me." The pressure was greater in 1989, he said, because it was a do-or-die game. This time, a miss would have meant only overtime, and even a loss was bearable with the 3-0 lead

The shot itself, though, was more mate the Cavaliers in a deciding first-round game.

This time, the score was tied at 101 with less than 10 seconds to play when Jordan went one-on-one in the challenge he in the cavaliers in a deciding "I didn't have my momentum going toward the basket, as I did the last time," Jordan said. "He played good defense," he said of Wilkins. "I admire him for the challenge he

the Bulls carried into the game.

Wilkins smiled when he realized

what had happened. "I had to. I wanted to go over and shake his hand," Wilkins said. "I had all ball, but it seemed like he year they would knock them off. went back a couple of inches more and let it go. I said, 'No way,' and it went down. I can't believe it's over." Jordan's legend also grew in the eyes of his teammates, "It was unbelievable," B.J. Arm-

strong said. "I was just frozen in time. It took an instant before I realized what happened out there." Jordan, still bothered somewhat by the wrist sprained on Thursday, finished with 31 points on 11-for-24 shooting, and got nine rebounds. Horace Grant had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Scottie Pippen scored

Brad Daugherty scored 25 points, but none in the fourth quarter, and grabbed 13 rebounds for Cleveland, which has been eliminated by Chicago four times since 1988. Wilkins

scored 22 points.
"Michael did it to us again," John Williams said. "We really wanted to win this game. We didn't want them to sweep us. But they wanted to win this game so that they could get some rest."

The situation in the series was not

with Gerald Wilkins, the man the gave me. It was a fadeaway, and I can their view. After all, they hadn't bit a fadeaway all night."

He deform their view. After all, they had beaten the Bulls three out of five had beaten three bulls three out of five had beaten games during the regular season. And while the Bulls are the defending NBA champions, the Cavs had high hopes that this might be the

Then came Jordan. In addition to winning the game, he was also responsible for keeping the Bulls in it.

The Cavaliers built three doubledigit leads in the second half, and each time Jordan responded with a basket. His short bank shot cut Cleveland's lead to nine with 7:19 to go in the third quarter, and he sank 3-pointers later in the third and early in the fourth to reduce 10-point eads to seven.

The second 3-pointer started a 17-5 run that put the Bulls ahead, 94-92, on Grant's dunk with four minutes left, and oeither team led by more than three after that. Wilkins 3-pointer gave the Cavs their last lead, 99-96, with two minutes to play, but Jordan personally outscored the Cavaliers, 7-2, down the

stretch. The Cavs had a chance to take the lead with 20 seconds left, but Ehlo missed a 14-footer and Jordan helped control the rebound, setting the stage for his winning shot.



The Maple Leafs and Kings rushed to battle after the Maple Leafs pained the visiting team with three goals in the third period.

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FOOTBALL

National Football League
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BOSTON—Sale II will not offer Viadimir Ruzicra, center, contract for 1993-94 sesson. HAPTFDRD—Acquired Jim Sandjak, right

SIDELINES NBA Pacers Fire Hill

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — The Indiana Pacers, knocked out of the NBA playoffs in the first round for the fourth straight year, fired Bob Hill as their coach Tuesday. He had signed a three-year contract extension in January

 The Croatian coaeb Petar Skanski and the Italian club Benettoo Treviso said they had agreed to part after three years, as part of a reorganization following the team's loses in both the European Cup and the Italian playoff finals. The reorganization may include the departure of Croatian superstar Toni Kukoc, who may join the Chicago Bulls in the NBA.

For the Record

Antoine Carr, the San Antonio Spurs' forward, will be out indefinitely after spraining an ankle in Sunday's defeat of the Phoenix Suns. (AP) Sweden beat China, 3-1, to win a second consecutive men's team gold medal at the World

Table Tennis Championships. (AP)
The Supreme Court refused to allow Braxston Lee Banks, a former running back for Notre Dame, to challenge the NCAA rule that ends college eligibility for athletes who enter the NFL

Quotable

Announcer Bob Uecker: "In 1962 I was voted minor league player of the year. Unfortu-oately, that was my second year in the majors."

Gilmour Sparks Toronto In 4-1 Rout of Los Angeles

TORONTO - Thanks to Doug Gilmour, the Toronto Maple Leafs scored enough goals to beat the Los Angeles Kings in the opening game of the National Hockey League's Campbell Conference playoffs.

Thanks to Felix Potvin, the Leafs needed

Potvin was superb in the first two periods. making 27 saves in a tight game, before Toronto took over and pulled away to a 4-1 victory Monday night in the best-of-7 series.

"The Cat kept us in the game in the first two

periods," said the Maple Leafs' coach, Pat Burns. "In the third, we came out and started attacking a little more." It was a decidedly one-sided third period.

oilmour got a goal and assisted on two others by Glenn Anderson and Bill Bergas as the Maple Leafs outshot the Kings, 22-1.

"I wish I knew" what happened, said the Kings' coach. Barry Melrose. "We'll have to find out why and talk about it so are confind out why and talk about it so we can regroup. There are no excuses. We just didn't

The Kings were so frustrated that Marty McSorley finally took it out on Gilmour, dropping the Leafs' star with an elbow to the head while the puck was elsewhere on the ice. With Gilmour down, Toronto's captain, Wendel Clark, dropped his gloves and fought McSorley.

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And but for Kelly Hrudey's goaltending, the Kings would have fared far worse. Peter Zezel's bot shot in the seventh minute was somehow flagged down by Hrudey, who later made glit-

tering saves against Anderson and Clark.
But Hrudey couldn't stem the tide forever. Gilmour and Clark assisted on Anderson's goal at 9:49 of the third period as Toronto went

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ahead to stay. Gilmour passed from behind the oet to Anderson, who was all alone in front of the net. He faked a shot and, as Hrudey went down to block it, moved the puck to his backhand and slipped it off the inside of the goal

Gilmour got his eighth goal of the playoffs 66 seconds later on a rebound, then set up Berg's first postseason goal at 15:21 with another pass from behind the net.

Gilmour, who had a power-play goal in the first period waved off because of referee Dan Marouelli's whistle, got it later when he connected at 17:49 for the only score of the opening 20 minutes.

Pat Conacher tied it for Los Angeles at 14:59 of the second on an assist from Wayne Gretzky, who drew the defense to him on a rush and then ed the puck to his teammate.

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The Knave of Clubs

By Russell Baker

WASHINGTON —Here is another country-club problem.
They are always the same. Someone political is found to be a member of or to have played golf at a racially segregated country club. After the discovery, the fat is in the fire, as we used to say back when we still had chiches fit for children's ears.

This week's case involves Webster L. Hubbell, a Little Rock lawyer nominated to become associate attorney general. The usual minuet

is now in progress. Hubbell, who joined the club in the mid-1980s, is said to have worked to get blacks admitted to membership. If so, says the chairman of the Arkansas Legislature's black caucus, Hubbell never asked any of the caucus's 13 members to recommend candidates for admission. And so on.

Joining country clubs, segregated or not, has always seemed foolish to me, but so does the game of golf, which is closely associated with country clubs, and I know a few sensible people for whom life with-

out golf would not be worth living. For this reason I always refuse to picket the Capitol demanding the abolition of country clubs. "Let a thousand bizarre tastes flourish." as cluded among the excluded were chairman Mao should have said.

What is baffling, however, is why

What is baffling, however, is why segregation is necessary to countryclob culture. The aim of segregation is to put distance between yourself and people who are unworthy to enjoy the splendor of your company. This is precisely what a golf course affords: plenty of distance between the parties.

True, a golfer with keen vision may identify a player as black even from a distance of 100 yards, but at basketball, baseball and football games white people are positioned much closer than that to blacks playing games, yet do not seem affronted by the sight.

Since country-club members can't possibly need the segregation for their golf, other explanations must be sought. My knowledge of country clubs comes entirely from John O'Hara's "Appointment in Samarra." It is about an unpleasant group of people, all of them white, who spend most of their time getting drunk and insulting each other

at dance parties at a country club. Reading this book at an impressionable age probably warped my view of country clubs, but to this day I cleave to my youthful suspi-cion of country clubs as places full of ill-mannered clods who drink to excess and are liable to insult people whose fox trot is the least bit

l am sure Webster Hubbell's country club is oot like that at all. The papers say the initiation fee is \$25,000. For that kind of money, even a lawyer is surely entitled to a little respect from other members.

Groucho Marx's refusal to pay good money to belong to a club that lets in "people like me" really goes to the heart of the matter. Groucho may have been able to see through the fraud of clubby exclusivity, but most of us do not see so clearly. The appeal of being accepted into exclusive clubs lies, just as Groucho saw, in the absurd suggestion that you are not just another person like you, but somebody fancier.

I speak from experience, having yielded many years ago to the urge to move up several floors above myself by joining a campus frater-mty. Like all such operations, it excluded practically everybody. In-

These people were patient with me. It was right after World War II and most of them were veterans and grown-up and knew that preaching didn't work when a man was determined to make a fool of himself.

I was 21 turedoed kneeling in a candle-lit room and listening to ritualistic mumbo-jumbo suitable only for 17-year-olds when the wisdom of Groucho Marx overwhelmed me with a sense of my own silliness. I was engaged in a silly, childish pro-ject not to be somebody like me.

Nowadays whenever tempted to sneer at politicians trapped in the country-club problem, I grant them absolution after reflecting what a tough investigator could do with my own past. That fraternity excluded people for their sex, race and religion and once, so help me, debated excluding an otherwise flawlessly orthodox young man be-cause his father did not wear a jacket at the dinner table,

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Art for Art's Sake: The actor Donald Sutherland, left, with a copy of one of the Kandiskys in "Sox Degrees of Separation." Above, Eva Davy working on a re-creation of the Sisting Chapel ceiling by Michelangelo.

Real Fakes: A Twist on Painting the Sets

By Rita Reif

New York Times Service New YORK — Transforming John Guare's Broadway play "Six Degrees of Separation" into a movie can present challenges both visual and dramatic. In Fred Schepisi's film version of Guare's 1990 work, the visual

arts perform two critical, almost starring roles.

A double-sided Kandinsky holds the place of honor in a
New York apartment where much of the action takes New York apartment where much of the action takes place. And Michelangelo's criling in the Sistine Chapel, described but never seen in the play, had to be created for the movie, which is now being filmed in New York.

The drama is set in the Fifth Avenue apartment of Flan and Ouisa Kittredge, a private art dealer and his wife (played by Donald Sutherland and Stockard Chauming,

who is reprising her stage role).

The Kittredges become the victims of a scam perpetrat-

ed by a young man named Paul (Will Smith), who pre-tends to be Sidney Poitier's son, cons his way into their home, transforms their bves and vanishes

In the hit play, the Kandinsky was bung high above the set and was never touched. But Guare agreed with Schepisi that on screen the painting should be more visible. And so the playwright wrote it into his screenplay. "The Kandinsky is the Kittredges' most valuable piece, their one prize," said Ric Kidney, the executive producer of the movie, which is due to be released in the fall. "In the

film it's shown on an easel in the viewing room where Flan To Patrizia von Brandenstein, the movie's production designer, the two-sided Kandinsky represents control on one side of the painting and chaos on the other. "Visually, the film's structure and color scheme come from the

Since the work had not only a metaphorical importance but also a practical one. Schepisi insisted on accurate copies of real Kandinskys for the film. With the help of Thomas Krens, the director of the Guggenheim Museum, two works were selected from the institution's collection

"Black Lines," a geometric painting from 1913, and "Several Circles," from 1926. The copies were painted over 10 days by Eva Davy, a New York scenic artist. The filmmakers, Kidney said, had to pay only for the use of the transparencies as well as a fee ("under \$10,000").

In the play, the double painting was twirled on a motorized pipe and extended from a lighting fixture high above the Kittredges' living room, far enough away to be suggested by rough oil sketches. In the film, the images are much larger, more dynamic, more vibrant and, of course, more realistic.

But the large size of the images —four feet square (1.2 meters square) —posed problems for scenes in which the painting is shown to clients. "We had to figure out how to whirl it around," said von Brandenstein, who won an Academy Award for her art direction of the 1984 film "Amadeus." "We tried holding it at the corners, but that didn't work." Finally, she fitted a doorknob to the top of

the frame, so the painting could be swung around. Shooting the interiors for the movie was slightly less complicated. The filmmakers chose an apartment house overlooking Central Park in New York City to create the

Kittredges' home, which in the film has a more lived in look than it had in the play.

Its book-lined walls, phump sofas and family photographs result in a look that is as elaborately detailed as the stage sets were minimal. Flea markets were raided in search of pedigreed nostalgia - picture frames, cigarette

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boxes, throws — and an auction at the William Doyle Galleries supplied heirloom furniture and silver.

A Cezame and a Degas were lent by William Beadleston, a private art dealer and old friend of Guare's, who also supplied hundreds of his art books and catalogues. From the Union Theological Seminary in Manhattan came a dozen battered dining room chairs, lent in exchange for their repair and recovering.

The apartment itself was made by gutting an entire floor leased by MGM and combining two separate units.

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The Sistine Chapel, on the other hand, had to be built from scratch. A partial replicat was needed for a scene in which the Kittredges and an Italian art dealer visit the chapel while it is undergoing restoration. There they view Michelangelo's ceiling frescoes from a construction eleva-

To simulate the chapel interior, a team of 15 artists and artisans worked for two months in a Hudson River ware-house completing a 24-by-40-foot section of barrel-vanit-

Davy, who painted some of the frescoes, completed the images of God and Adam standing up. "Doing that four-year job in nine days was kind of wild," she said. Once the painting was completed, von Brandenstein supervised the completion of the set. "The chapel had to be shrouded for the cleaning process, so we draped the side walls with canvas and plastic," she said.

These scenes are to be among the last shot.

The apartment is in the process of being turned back into two apartments. But the realistic-looking take Kandinskys await destruction, as part of the agreement with the Guggenheim. "We're planning to destroy it with museum representatives on hand as our witnesses," von Brandenstein said. "And then we'll raise a glass."

PEOPLE

Dublin's Abbey Picks Tony-Winning Director Patrick Mason, who won a Tony Award last year as director of Dancing at Lughnasa," has been named artistic director of the Abbey Theater in Dublin, Ireland's

leading playhouse. The 42-year-old Dublin-based Englishman will take the job on Jan. 1, succeeding Garry Hynes, whose three-year tenure was marked by widely publicized disputes with the board.

The Swedish author Astrid Lindgren is threatening to withdraw the gren is threatening to windraw the copyright on her books in France after the publisher changed her best-known character, Pippi Long-stocking, from a cheeky pigtailed rebel into a pointe limit girl. She noted that "Pippi Longstocking," first published in 1962, has been translated into 60 languages but that the French edition of the children's book was the only one that persisted in altering Pippi's charace

"Angels in America: Millennium Approaches," the first half of Tony Kushuer's drama about AIDS, won the Drama Desk award for best play of the 1992-93 New York theater season. "Kiss of the Spider Woman," directed by Hal Prince, was chosen best musical. Jane Alexander, who plays the eldest sib-ling in "The Sisters Rosensweig," was named best actress in a play. while Ron Leibman, who portrays the lawyer Roy Cohn in "Angels in America," was picked as best actors.

Hillary Rodham Clinton, keeping true to her habit of changing her look every six months or so, now has a new short summer do. Her tresses were styled and cut by New York's Frédéric Fekkai, a French-man whose loyal clientele includes Maria Maples, Sigonmey Weaver, Dien Barkin, Lesley Stabi and Maria Stresse. Meryl Streep.

Speaking of Maria, her replace-ment on Broadway's "Will Rogers Follies" will be Lisa Niemi, wife of Patrick Swayze, Niemi has worked mostly as a dancer.

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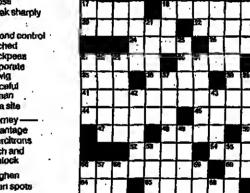
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THE SEVENTH MILLION: The Israelis and the Holo-

By Tom Segev. Illustrated. Translated by Haim Watzman. 593 pages. \$27.50. Hill & Wang.

Reviewed by Herbert Mitgang

T N "While Six Million Died," published a quarter of a century ago and still one of the essential books on the Holocaust, Arthur D. Morse, an American author, exposed the apathy of the U.S. government, and especially the cal-lousness of the State Department,

in confronting Nazi genocide. Now, in "The Seventh Million," Tom Segev, an Israeli journalist, makes an original contribution to

centrates on the Palestinian pioand noble ingathering. On the pyre of the six million who died in Auschwitz and the Third Reich's deliberate killing camps, a phoe-nix-like "seventh million" arose to help form the state of Israel.

World War II, Ben-Gurion realized ing Jews on the blocked highways that Hitler had decimated more and seaways to Palestine. Drawing

roamed the world to save the rem-

David Ben-Gurion, the Zionist leader who became Israel's first prime minister, emerges as the book's pragmatic visionary, aided by such international goodwill rep-resentatives as Teddy Kollek, who sympathized with the dispirited refbecame the indomitable mayor of Jerusalem. Toward the end of than the Jewish people; be had on newly declassified Israeli docudamaged hopes for a Jewish state ments and his own interviews with

Ben-Gurion proposed that the ocers turned statesmeo who Zionist movement commit itself to bringing in a million Jews immedinants of European Jewry in a great ately, double the namber then in and noble ingathering. On the pyre Palestine. Other members of the Jewish Agency, the Zionist governing body, said the country could not absorb that many people and the new immigrants would suffer.
"It's all right," Ben-Gurion said.

"They suffered a lot in Europe." "The Seventh Million," translated from the Hebrew by Haim Watzman, will not please the myth maksympathized with the dispirited refugees in displaced-persons camps: Those who became the new wander-

the literature of the Holocaust from by destroying potential immigrants old Zionists, Segev reveals that the still another perspective. He conresponse to the survivors by the Jewish community in Palestine was less

"After the war, a great silence surrounded the destruction of the Jews." the author writes, a statement that seems far-fetched and much too broad. But, he continues: Then came moral and political conflicts, including the painful debate over relations with Germany, which slowly brought the Israelis to recognize the deeper meaning of the Holocaust. The trial of Adolf Eichmann served as therapy for the nation, starting a process of identilication with the tragedy of the vic-

tims and survivors, a process that continues to this day." The significance of the Eichmann trial in and outside Israel is covered at important length in "The Seventh Million." Ben-Gur-

ion often emphasized that the man Eichmann was of no interest to him; be was concerned only with the historic importance of the trial itself and its symbolic venue in Jerusalem. Segev writes: "Ben-Gur-ion had two goals: One was to remind the countries of the world that the Holocanst obligated them to support the only Jewish state on earth. The second was to impress the lessons of the Holocaust on the people of Israel, especially the

ounger generation."
Artifacts in Holocaust museums and memorials in Israel, Europe and the United States continue to be reminders of genocide and inhumanity in this dying century. So are such impressive written testaments

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